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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **ON MAY 24, 2005, BEGINS ON PAGE 171.]**

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS
7 MORNING'S MEETING. THIS MORNING, OUR INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY
8 PASTOR JAMES A. TOLLE, WHO IS FROM THE CHURCH ON THE WAY IN
9 VAN NUYS. OUR PLEDGE THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY GEORGE SMITH,
10 WHO IS COMMANDER OF THE INGLEWOOD POST NUMBER 2122 OF THE
11 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND? PASTOR,
12 I'LL TURN IT OVER TO YOU.

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14 **JAMES A. TOLLE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ESTEEMED SUPERVISORS. I
15 APPRECIATE YOUR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY. LET'S ALL INCLINE
16 OUR HEADS, BOW OUR HEADS AND LET'S PRAY. THANK YOU, OH BLESSED
17 LORD, FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. YOU HAVE SEEN FIT TO
18 PLACE US AND THE 10 MILLION PRECIOUS SOULS UNDER THE
19 ENTRUSTING CARE OF THESE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS BEFORE ME WHO
20 GOVERN OUR COUNTY. WITH THEM I COME TO YOU ASKING THAT YOU
21 WOULD RECEIVE OUR GRATITUDE FOR THE MANY GIFTS AND
22 BLESSINGS YOU HAVE GRANTED TO US. WE THANK YOU FOR THE GRACE
23 OF FREEDOM, FOR THE FULL AND RICH DIVERSITY OUR COUNTY ENJOYS,
24 AND FOR THE MANY ABUNDANCES AND THE GRACES OF SAFETY THAT WE
25 ALSO ENJOY. WE THANK YOU FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AS WELL



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1 AS THOSE WHO HAVE SACRIFICED TO GIVE US OUR FREEDOMS AND THOSE
2 WHO SERVICE DAILY IN SO MANY DIVERSE WAYS, ALL LOOKING FOR THE
3 WELLBEING OF OUR COUNTY. YET WE KNOW THAT ALL IS NOT RIGHT
4 WITH OUR COUNTY. THERE ARE THOSE WHO FACE POVERTY, REJECTION,
5 INFIRMITY, AND LACK OF OPPORTUNITY. WE ACKNOWLEDGE WE NEED
6 YOUR HELP TO MEET THE MANY CHALLENGES BEFORE US. SO, IN FAITH,
7 WE ASK FOR THAT HELP. GUIDE US, I PRAY, GIVE THESE MEN AND
8 WOMEN THE WISDOM TO KNOW WHAT TO DO AND THE COURAGE TO DO IT.
9 AS WE DENY ALL PREJUDICE, A PLACE IN OUR HEARTS, WHETHER
10 ETHNIC OR ECONOMIC OR EDUCATIONAL, WE PROCLAIM OUR COMMITMENT
11 TO WORK ON BEHALF OF ALL THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTY THAT THEY
12 MAY KNOW DIGNITY AS YOU MEAN DIGNITY TO BE. GRANT, OH, LOVING
13 GOD THAT ALL BONDAGES OF ANY TYPE BE BROKEN. WE LAMENT THOSE
14 THINGS THAT ARE OFFENSIVE TO PEOPLE, TO YOU, AND ARE AGAINST
15 YOUR WILL AND WE PRAY FOR YOUR FORGIVENESS. MAY OUR HEARTS BE
16 ALWAYS GOOD AND GRACIOUS TO THE NEEDY. BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT
17 UPRIGHT CITIZENS BLESS A CITY AND MAKE IT PROSPER, WE ASK THAT
18 YOU BLESS OUR SAFETY, KEEP US SAFE ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES.
19 PROSPER OUR ECONOMY AND OUR COMMONERS. LET PEACE REIGN IN OUR
20 CITY AND OUR CITIES. LET GODLINESS AND ALL MANNER OF GOOD
21 MULTIPLY HERE. BLESS LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND BLESS
22 THE FAMILIES OF OUR CITY AND COUNTY. WE KNOW IT'S YOUR DESIRE
23 THAT WE LEAD PEACEFUL AND QUIET LIVES. PARDON US FOR OUR
24 WRONGS, GIVE US HOPE AND JOY, FILL OUR CITIES OF THIS COUNTY
25 WITH JOY AND MAY WE HAVE A SONG IN OUR HEART IN THE DAYS



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1 AHEAD. AS WE OF THIS GENERATION TAKE OUR PILGRIMAGE THROUGH
2 LIFE, MAY WE INDEED LEAVE IT BETTER THAN WE HAVE FOUND IT. WE
3 ASK THESE THINGS IN YOUR NAME WITH YOUR BLESSING AND EVERYONE
4 SAID AMEN. AMEN. THANK YOU.

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6 **COMMANDER GEORGE SMITH:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART
7 AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. [PLEDGE
8 OF ALLEGIANCE]

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. WE ARE GOING TO GO
11 AHEAD AND CALL THE AGENDA AND MR. SMITH, AS WELL AS PASTOR, IF
12 YOU WOULD HOLD ON A MINUTE, THE SUPERVISOR WILL BE HERE IN
13 JUST A MOMENT TO MAKE THE PRESENTATIONS. THANK YOU. I'LL ASK
14 OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WHAT WE'LL DO IS
17 WE'LL ANNOUNCE THE CONTINUED ITEMS AND THEN WE'LL GO THROUGH
18 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS. ALL THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS WILL BE
19 TAKEN UP AFTER THE BOARD'S PRESENTATIONS, OKAY?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD.

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23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SO WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 5. ON ITEM S-1, AT
24 THE REQUEST OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE WILL TAKE THIS ITEM UP
25 TOGETHER WITH ITEM 27-D. ON THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE



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1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, WE WILL TAKE ITEM 1-D UP
2 WITH PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NUMBER 3. ALSO, ON THE AGENDA FOR THE
3 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, WE WILL TAKE ITEM 1-H UP,
4 TOGETHER WITH ITEM 3 OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MATTERS. ON PAGE
5 11, ON ITEM NUMBER 8, AS NOTED ON THE AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR
6 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 28, 2005.
7 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ON PAGE 13, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
8 ITEMS 14 THROUGH 22. ON ITEM NUMBER 17, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR
9 KNABE. ON ITEM NUMBER 19, SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS REVISED HER
10 RECOMMENDATION TO REMOVE ALL REFERENCES TO AB-1067. AND, ON
11 ITEM NUMBER 20, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE REST ARE
12 BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED
15 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF
16 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE, ITEM 23.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
21 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC LIBRARY. ON ITEM 24, THE CHIEF
24 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REQUESTS A THREE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED.

2

3 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION, ITEM 25.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 26, SEPARATE MATTER, WE HAVE A
9 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THAT ITEM.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM WILL BE HELD, THE
12 LAST ITEM, ITEM NUMBER 26.

13

14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 26. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE
15 AGENDA REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
16 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
17 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
18 ITEM 27-A.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH-- HAS THAT
21 BEEN CORRECTED, THE PROBLEM THAT YOU HAD THERE? OR WAS IT "B"?

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES, WE'VE CORRECTED IT. IT'S BEFORE YOU
24 AS IT IS NOW ON THE GREEN SHEET.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
2 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
3 ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 27-B.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO PROBLEM ON THAT ONE? MOVED BY
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF
9 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 27-C.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
14 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND 27-D WILL BE TAKEN UP WITH ITEM S-1.
17 WE HAVE A REQUEST ALSO FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER
18 OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON THAT.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SO THAT THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
23 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH
24 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BEFORE I DO MY PRESENTATION,
2 SPECIAL PRESENTATION, CAN I ASK MISS BURKE TO DO HER
3 PRESENTATION? MR. SMITH.

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'RE VERY PLEASED THAT WE HAD GEORGE SMITH HERE
6 TODAY AND HE IS FROM THE INGLEWOOD POST NUMBER 2122, VETERANS
7 OF FOREIGN WARS AND HE SERVED IN THE MILITARY FROM '59 TO '68
8 AS A SPECIALIST 4TH CLASS IN THE U.S. ARMY. HE WAS IN THE AIR
9 EVACUATION TEAM UNIT AND HE RECEIVED A ARMY GOOD CONDUCT
10 MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. HE IS CIVILIAN POSITION
11 IN LONG BEACH V.A. MEDICAL CENTER AS A MEDICAL SUPPLIER. HE
12 HAS BEEN LIVING IN THE DISTRICT FOR 36 YEARS AND HE ATTENDED
13 SOUTHWEST COLLEGE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR JOINING US HERE
14 TODAY. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT, I'D LIKE TO CALL ON
17 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR A PRESENTATION.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU AND I APOLOGIZE FOR
20 BEING LATE BUT I'M SURE THE NEW MAYOR WILL DO SOMETHING ABOUT
21 THE TRAFFIC. WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY
22 PASTOR JAMES A. TOLLE, WHO, ALONG WITH HIS WIFE, ALICE, WERE
23 INSTALLED AS THE SENIOR PASTORS AT THE COMBINED CONGREGATIONS
24 OF THE CHURCH ON THE WAY IN IGLESIA AND EL CAMINO, WHICH IS
25 NOW ONE OF THE LARGEST CONGREGATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.



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1 PASTOR TOLLE GRADUATED FROM LIFE BIBLE COLLEGE, KNOWN AS LIFE
2 PACIFIC COLLEGE, AND HAS SERVED AS A MISSIONARY CHURCH
3 PLANTER, CHRISTIAN TELEVISION RADIO HOST, BIBLE INSTITUTE
4 DIRECTOR AND CONFERENCE SPEAKER IN OVER 38 COUNTRIES. HE
5 CURRENTLY BROADCASTS TWO DAILY RADIO PROGRAMS AND IS AN
6 INSTRUCTOR AT FACULTE DES TEOLOGIA, A SPANISH LANGUAGE
7 TRAINING SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY AND OVERSEES NUMEROUS FOUR SQUARE
8 CHURCHES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. PASTOR JIM AND HIS WIFE HAVE
9 FOUR GROWN SONS AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. THE CHURCH ON THE WAY
10 IS ONE OF THE LARGEST CHURCHES IN THE COUNTY, I THINK IT'S
11 CERTAINLY JUDGING BY THE ATTENDANCE THERE. WE ARE HONORED TO
12 HAVE YOU HERE THIS MORNING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
13 COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** TODAY WE BID FAREWELL TO THE HONORABLE
16 PETER HUNT, WHO HAS SERVED WITH US AS BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL
17 HERE IN LOS ANGELES SINCE OCTOBER OF 2001. HE'S RETURNING TO
18 GREAT BRITAIN FOR A NEW POSITION WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
19 AFFAIRS OR FOREIGN-- YES, FOREIGN AFFAIRS. DURING HIS POSTING,
20 CONSUL-GENERAL HUNT MAINTAINED A HIGH PROFILE IN THIS COUNTRY
21 AND HE CARRIED OUT HIS DUTIES WITH EFFECTIVENESS AND AN AWFUL
22 LOT OF ENERGY. WE WANTED TO EXTEND A PLAQUE TO HIM TODAY AS A
23 TOKEN OF OUR FRIENDSHIP AND CERTAINLY TO THANK HIM FOR THE
24 GREAT WORK THAT HE DID WHILE HE SERVED US HERE AS WELL AS
25 SERVED HIS BRITISH CITIZENS BUT WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL HANG



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1 THIS IN YOUR OFFICE AS YOU CONTINUE TO CARRY OUT YOUR DUTIES.
2 WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND YOUR SERVICE WITH US HERE
3 IN LOS ANGELES. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR.

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5 **THE HONORABLE PETER HUNT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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7 **THE HONORABLE PETER HUNT:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND ESTEEMED
8 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I ARRIVED IN LOS ANGELES A MONTH AFTER
9 9/11. THIS WAS AN EVENT THAT WAS DESIGNED TO TERRORIZE AND
10 DIVIDE US BUT IT HAD THE EFFECT OF BRINGING OUR TWO COUNTRIES
11 CLOSER TOGETHER. I'M PROUD AND PRIVILEGED TO HAVE BEEN A
12 BRITISH DIPLOMAT SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES OVER THE LAST
13 FOUR YEARS. I'VE SEEN MY PRINCIPLE TASK IS TO BUILD UP THE
14 RESOURCES THAT BRITAIN HAS TO PROMOTE BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS IN
15 THIS GREAT CITY. WE'VE NOW ADDED SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY,
16 DEFENSE TRADE TEAMS TO OUR TRADE AND INVESTMENT TEAMS AND,
17 FOLLOWING A RECENT REVIEW, LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN DESIGNATED THE
18 HUB POST FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WHOLE OF THE WESTERN
19 PART OF THE UNITED STATES, WITH A COMMENSURATE INCREASE IN THE
20 RESOURCES WE HAVE. I'M EXTREMELY PROUD TO HAVE BEEN PART OF
21 THIS BUILDING PROCESS AND BELIEVE THAT BRITAIN IS NOW
22 EXTREMELY WELL PLACED IN LOS ANGELES TO FACILITATE VERY MANY
23 MORE BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH INDEED,
24 SUPERVISOR. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR? MADAM CHAIR? MADAM CHAIR?

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3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, PETER IS A CONSTITUENT. HE
6 CAN'T VOTE FOR ME BUT HE'S A CONSTITUENT BUT WE'LL WORK ON
7 THAT, ALONG WITH OUR GOVERNOR. I'VE JUST-- I WANT TO THANK YOU
8 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO YOUR COUNTRY IN OUR COUNTRY AND IN OUR
9 COMMUNITY. I'VE HAD A LONGSTANDING UNIQUE RELATIONSHIP WITH
10 THE BRITISH CONSULATE HERE AND IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO GET TO
11 KNOW YOU AND YOUR WIFE AND TO BE NEIGHBORS AND REALLY WANT TO
12 WISH YOU WELL. YOU'VE REPRESENTED YOUR GOVERNMENT EXTREMELY
13 WELL. AND PLEASE GIVE YOUR WIFE OUR REGARDS AS WELL.

14

15 **THE HONORABLE PETER HUNT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, INDEED.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I COULD ALSO ADD, I MEAN, I ALSO
18 WANTED TO EXTEND MY THANK YOU TO THE CONSUL-GENERAL. WE, TOO,
19 HAVE HAD A-- DEVELOPED A FRIENDSHIP OVER THE YEARS AND BEEN A
20 PARTNER, AS YOU'VE HEARD HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS HERE THIS MORNING
21 AND BEING A PART OF THE BRITISH-AMERICA TRADE CONSUL PROGRAMS
22 THAT WE'VE DONE IN LONG BEACH AND I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU AND
23 WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST. IT'S BEEN A ABSOLUTE JOY AND
24 PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ALSO, MADAM CHAIR, I WOULD LIKE TO
2 WELCOME YOU AND WE'RE REALLY SORRY YOU'RE LEAVING AFTER ALL
3 THESE YEARS. IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE YOU'VE BEEN HERE THAT LONG
4 BUT WE APPRECIATED THE WARMTH THAT YOU PROVIDED OUR COMMUNITY
5 AND THE HOSPITALITY WHEN YOU'RE VISITING ROYALTY AND
6 DIGNITARIES HAVE BEEN HERE WHERE WE'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THAT
7 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING OUR FRIENDSHIP WHEN YOU
8 RETURN TO YOUR HOMELAND. BUT IT'S BEEN A REAL PLEASURE TO WORK
9 WITH YOU DURING THESE PAST FEW YEARS.

10

11 **THE HONORABLE PETER HUNT:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAVE A COUPLE
14 OF PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE TWO PRESENTATIONS.
17 FIRST, LET ME MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO THE CORNERSTONE
18 THEATRE COMPANY. TO HELP PROMOTE THIS YEAR'S FORD AMPHITHEATER
19 PERFORMING SEASON, WE'RE PRESENTING SCROLLS TO
20 REPRESENTATIVES-- OR A SCROLL TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 CORNERSTONE THEATRE COMPANY, THE TROUPE WHOSE PRODUCTION OPENS
22 THIS YEAR'S SUMMER SEASON AT THE JOHN ANSON FORD AMPHITHEATER.
23 WE'RE VERY HONORED TO WELCOME HERE BILL RAUCH, WHO IS THE CO-
24 FOUNDER AND ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AND SHAY WAFER, WHO IS THE
25 MANAGING DIRECTOR. THEIR PRODUCTION, "A LONG BRIDGE OVER DEEP



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1 WATERS," RUNS FOR EIGHT PERFORMANCES DURING TWO CONSECUTIVE
2 WEEKENDS AT THE FORD. IT'S AN AMBITIOUS WORK THAT'S BEEN
3 DESCRIBED AS A SPRAWLING PANORAMIC EPIC THAT STAGES AN
4 INTERLOCKING CHAIN OF UNEXPECTED ENCOUNTERS BETWEEN
5 COMMUNITIES OF FAITH IN TODAY'S LOS ANGELES AND FEATURES MORE
6 THAN 60 PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ARTISTS. "A LONG BRIDGE
7 OVER DEEP WATERS" IS INSPIRED BY SCHNITZLER'S CLASSIC PLAY
8 LAROND AND TRACES A JOYOUS, PAINFUL AND RESTLESS CIRCLE
9 THROUGH OUR WIDE OPEN SPIRITUAL LANDSCAPE IN THE CITY OF LOS
10 ANGELES. BILL RAUCH CURRENTLY SERVES WITH DISTINCTION AS THE
11 ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AND CO-FOUNDER OF THE CORNERSTONE THEATRE
12 COMPANY, HAVING DIRECTED MORE THAN 40 OF THE COMPANY'S
13 PRODUCTIONS, INCLUDING MANY COLLABORATIONS WITH DIVERSE
14 COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND ACROSS THE
15 NATION. BILL AND THE CORNERSTONE THEATRE COMPANY HAVE MOUNTED
16 SUCH AMBITIOUS PRODUCTIONS AS STEEL BOUND, A COLLABORATION
17 WITH FORMER STEEL WORKERS IN BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA; THE
18 CENTRAL AVENUE CHALK CIRCLE, DEVELOPED WITH THE PARTICIPATION
19 OF THE WATTS COMMUNITY; "A COMMUNITY CAROL", PRODUCED WITH THE
20 COMMUNITIES OF EAST MARILYN ANACOSTIA RIVER; AND THE
21 CORNERSTONE'S LARGEST TO DATE COMMUNITY COLLABORATION "FOR
22 HERE OR TO GO", A SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENT AT THE MARK TAPER
23 FORUM. BILL, IN ADDITION TO HIS DEMANDING SCHEDULE WITH THE
24 CORNERSTONE THEATRE COMPANY, HAS ALSO REMAINED ACTIVE IN
25 LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY ROLES IN THE LARGER THEATRICAL



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1 COMMUNITY, SERVING ON A NUMBER OF BOARDS IN A NUMBER OF
2 VENUES. THE CORNERSTONE THEATRE COMPANY WILL PRESENT, AS I
3 INDICATED, A DYNAMIC WORLD PREMIER PRODUCTION FOR THE JOHN
4 ANSON FORD THEATRE 2005 SEASON ENTITLED, "A LONG BRIDGE OVER
5 DEEP WATERS" BY PLAYWRIGHT JAMES STILL, INSPIRED BY THE
6 RELIGIOUS HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES. HUNDREDS OF FAITH-BASED
7 CYCLE PARTICIPANTS AND THE CIRCULAR STRUCTURE OF ARTHUR
8 SCHNITZLER'S CLASSIC PLAY, "LA RONDE", TRACING A JOYOUS-- OH,
9 I ALREADY SAID THAT AND THE OTHER THINGS, SO I WON'T REPEAT
10 IT. BUT YOU ALL KNOW WHAT IT IS. IF YOU WEREN'T LISTENING,
11 YOU'RE IN TROUBLE. WHAT DAY DOES IT OPEN?

12

13 **BILL RAUCH:** JUNE 2ND.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUNE 2ND. THAT'S NEXT WEEK. AND IT WILL RUN
16 FOR EIGHT DAYS. SO IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN SEEING THIS
17 REMARKABLE PRODUCTION STARTING ON JUNE 2ND AT THE JOHN ANSON
18 FORD THEATRE, CONTACT THE JOHN ANSON FORD THEATRE OR GO TO THE
19 L.A. COUNTY WEBSITE AND DO SO. WHAT IS THE NUMBER FOR TICKETS?
20 323-GO1-FORD. THIS IS OUR THEATRE, SO WE CAN PROMOTE IT ALL WE
21 WANT. AND IT'S A GREAT PROGRAM. SO I WANTED TO PRESENT THIS TO
22 BOTH OF YOU, TO BILL AND TO SHAY. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN
23 HERE THIS MORNING. I KNOW IT'S EARLY FOR ARTISTS, BUT NOT FOR
24 YOU AND WE REALLY WISH YOU LUCK IN THE PRODUCTION AND WE THANK



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1 YOU FOR LAUNCHING THIS YEAR'S SUMMER AT THE FORD SEASON. WE'RE
2 LOOKING FORWARD TO A GREAT SUMMER. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SPEAKER:** I'D JUST LIKE TO, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND STAFF
5 AND THE ENSEMBLE OF CORNERSTONE THEATRE, THANK SUPERVISOR
6 YAROSLAVSKY FOR THIS DISTINGUISHED HONOR AS WELL AS THANK THE
7 OTHER COUNTY SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF
8 CORNERSTONE OVER THE YEARS. WE'D ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
9 STAFF OF THE ARTS COMMISSION, LED BY LAURA ZUCKER, AS WELL AS
10 THE STAFF OF THE FORD THEATRE. CORNERSTONE HAS RECEIVED
11 SUPPORT FROM THE COUNTY FOR THREE PROGRAMS FOR THE COUNTY
12 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AS WELL AS FOR OUR OPERATING SUPPORT AND,
13 MOST RECENTLY, I PARTICIPATED IN THE EXECUTIVE LEARNING GROUP
14 AND I WAS HONORED TO BE A PART OF THAT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **BILL RAUCH:** THE PRODUCTION THAT WE'RE BEING CITED FOR TODAY,
17 "A LONG BRIDGE OVER DEEP WATERS," IS THE CULMINATION OF 19
18 YEARS OF WORK ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND 14 YEARS OF WORK HERE IN
19 OUR HOME CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT BRINGS TOGETHER
20 PEOPLE FROM 10 DIFFERENT FAITH TRADITIONS THAT WE'VE WORKED
21 WITH OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS. TONGLA, GABRIALINO, NATIVE
22 AMERICANS, CATHOLIC IMMIGRANTS, JEWS, AFRICAN-AMERICAN
23 CHRISTIANS, BUDDHISTS, ATHEISTS, BAHAI, HINDUS, MUSLIMS, AND
24 GAYS/LESBIAN, BISEXUAL/TRANSGENDER PEOPLE OF MULTIPLE FAITHS.
25 SO WE HAVE 57 FOLKS FROM ALL OF THESE RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS,



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1 ALL CREATING TOGETHER AND PERFORMING A PLAY AND IT IS GOING TO
2 BE UNFORGETTABLE AND WE HOPE THAT YOU ALL COME AND SEE IT JUNE
3 2ND TO 12TH. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE]

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AGAIN, THE PERFORMANCE STARTS ON JUNE 2ND AT
6 THE JOHN ANSON FORD THEATRE IN CAHUENGA PASS. 323-GO1-FORD FOR
7 TICKETS. THANKS A LOT. GOOD LUCK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT, I
8 HAVE THE HONOR OF PRESENTING THE EL CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL
9 ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM, NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM FOR THE
10 SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR. [APPLAUSE]

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S BECOMING-- IT'S BECOMING ROUTINE BUT
13 IT'S NOTHING-- NOTHING CLOSE TO ROUTINE FOR THESE YOUNG
14 ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS, BUT THE-- THIS IS THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW
15 THAT THE EL CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM
16 HAS WON THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND THE FOURTH TIME IN EIGHT
17 YEARS. THAT IS QUITE A RECORD. NOW, THIS IS ALSO THE SEVENTH
18 CONSECUTIVE TIME THEY HAVE WON THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
19 DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP. THE ACADEMIC DECATHLON WAS STARTED IN
20 1981 AND IS A 10-EVENT SCHOLASTIC COMPETITION FOR TEAMS OF
21 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. EACH HIGH SCHOOL ENTERS A TEAM OF NINE
22 STUDENTS: THREE "A" STUDENTS, THREE "B" STUDENTS, AND THREE
23 "C" STUDENTS, HONOR, SCHOLASTIC AND VARSITY STUDENTS. AND, BY
24 THE WAY, IT'S BEEN MY EXPERIENCE THAT THE "C" STUDENTS ARE THE
25 TOUGHEST IN THESE COMPETITIONS. NEVER UNDERESTIMATE US "C"



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1 STUDENTS. IT IS THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS ACADEMIC COMPETITION IN
2 THE NATION AND IS HIGHLY REGARDED BY COLLEGE ADMISSIONS
3 COMMITTEES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. EL CAMINO REAL HAS
4 ESTABLISHED AN INCREDIBLE TRADITION IN THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
5 DISTRICT AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY. ANY HIGH SCHOOL THAT CAN WIN
6 ONE OUT OF TWO CHAMPIONSHIPS, NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, OVER AN
7 EIGHT-YEAR PERIOD, ONE EVERY TWO YEARS OVER AN EIGHT-YEAR
8 PERIOD, IS DOING SOMETHING RIGHT. IT'S NOT ONLY THE GREAT
9 ACADEMIC SKILLS OF THE STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE BUT, MAKE NO
10 MISTAKE, IT'S ALSO ABOUT THE COACHES, THE FACULTY WHO-- AND
11 THEIR PARENTS, WHO GIVE THEM A GREAT DEAL OF SUPPORT AND
12 ENCOURAGEMENT AND, ONCE IN A WHILE, A KICK IN THE PANTS. IT'S
13 A GREAT THING. MY OWN SON WAS A PARTICIPANT IN THE ACADEMIC
14 DECATHLON PROGRAM AT MONROE HIGH SCHOOL AND LET'S JUST SAY
15 THAT EL CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL IN OUR HOUSEHOLD WAS HELD IN
16 AWE AND I'M REALLY PROUD TO REPRESENT THE SCHOOL IN THE THIRD
17 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BUT ALL FIVE OF US WHO REPRESENT THE
18 COUNTY ARE VERY PROUD TO BE ABLE TO SAY THAT THE ACADEMIC
19 DECATHLON NATIONAL CHAMPIONS HAIL FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
20 YOU'VE MADE NOT ONLY YOURSELF PROUD BUT YOU'VE MADE LOS
21 ANGELES CITY AND COUNTY PROUD, AND YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT THAT'S
22 SOMETHING YOU'LL BE ABLE TO CARRY WITH YOU THE REST OF YOUR
23 LIVES AND I HOPE YOU WILL. SO, WITH THAT IN MIND, LET ME
24 PRESENT THESE PROCLAMATIONS. FIRST OF ALL-- WELL, WE'LL GET TO
25 THE COACHES, I GUESS, LATER, BUT I'M GOING TO START WITH THE



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1 STUDENTS. LINDSEY-- THEY ARE IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER, SO I
2 APOLOGIZE FOR THIS. LINDSEY GIBBS. LINDSEY? LINDSEY IS GOING
3 TO BE GOING TO AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN WASHINGTON, D.C. NEXT IS
4 BEN FARMAND. BEN'S GOING TO GO TO U.C. IRVINE NEXT FALL.
5 CONGRATULATIONS. BRIAN WONG. YOU'RE GOING TO BE GOING TO
6 WILLIAMS COLLEGE IN WILLIAMS-- WILLIAMS TOWN, MASSACHUSETTS. I
7 ASKED IF HE WAS GOING-- IF HE'S EVER BEEN THERE. HE SAYS YES.
8 I ASKED HIM IF HE'S BEEN THERE IN THE WINTERTIME. I'LL TELL
9 YOU, IT IS-- TAKE SOME WARM CLOTHES. THAT'S A GREAT COLLEGE.
10 NEXT IS JI WONG KIM. JI WONG'S GOING TO BE GOING TO U.C. SAN
11 DIEGO. GREAT SCHOOL. MIKA ROTH. MIKA COULDN'T BE HERE. WHERE
12 IS HE GOING? OKAY. GREAT. KEVIN ROSENBERG. KEVIN? KEVIN'S
13 GOING TO BE GOING TO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. LISA
14 GREGORIO. OH, I'M SORRY. THAT'S ONE OF YOUR COACHES. I'LL GET
15 TO YOU. LINDSEY COHEN. KENYAN COLLEGE IN OHIO. LAURA DESHER.
16 MCDANIEL COLLEGE IN MARYLAND. THESE ARE ALL COLD PLACES. SEAN
17 FULMER. SEAN'S GOING TO BE GOING TO STANFORD AND THAT'S THE
18 LAST I'LL SAY ABOUT THAT AS-- MY SON'S A CAL ALUM. GO BEARS.
19 LAST, I WANT TO PRESENT THE TWO COACHES AND I REALLY WANT TO
20 SINGLE THEM OUT BECAUSE I THINK WE ALL KNOW THE WORK THAT THEY
21 DO. THESE COACHES WORK LONG, LONG HOURS AND THESE ARE ALL
22 SENIORS, RIGHT? SO WHAT DO YOU HAVE IN THE PIPELINE? YOU GOING
23 FOR ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP NEXT YEAR? THAT'S WHAT I'M AFRAID OF.
24 GIVE MONROE A CHANCE, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD. FIRST, I WANT TO
25 INTRODUCE ALISA GREGORIO. I'M SORRY. ALYSSA. I SHOULD HAVE



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1 KNOWN THAT. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST IS CHRISTIAN SERONG. I WANT
2 TO ASK SOMEBODY, ONE OF THE COACHES, MR. SERONG.

3

4 **CHRISTIAN SERONG:** I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR ONGOING
5 RECOGNITION. IT'S NEVER TIRING TO COME BACK YEAR AFTER YEAR.
6 ONE THING I DO WANT TO SAY THOUGH. WITH EL CAMINO, THEY'RE
7 CALLING US A DYNASTY NOW, THE REPUTATION, OBVIOUSLY, IS HUGE.
8 IT'S NEVER EASY, THOUGH, THE COMPETITION. I INTRODUCE MYSELF,
9 I MENTION WHAT I DO AND THEN PEOPLE SAY, "OH, YOU GUYS WIN
10 EVERY YEAR." IT NEVER COMES EASY. THE COMPETITION IN SOUTHERN
11 CALIFORNIA IS EXCRUCIATINGLY BRUTAL AND MOST OF THAT FOCUSED
12 RIGHT IN THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SO THE WHOLE COUNTY
13 HAS A LOT TO BE PROUD OF AS FAR AS THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE
14 ONGOING. IT'S NOT JUST US AND WE TEND TO BE THE ONES
15 REPRESENTED HERE A LOT. BUT IT'S-- THERE'S A LOT OF VERY
16 WORTHY SCHOOLS. JUST WINNING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, I THINK,
17 WAS 10 TIMES MORE DIFFICULT THAN WINNING THE NATIONAL TITLE.
18 JUST GETTING OUT OF CALIFORNIA. THERE'S A LOT OF NATIONAL
19 CALIBER PROGRAMS HERE AND SO IT'S A TESTAMENT TO THEIR HARD
20 WORK BUT IT'S A TESTAMENT TO THE DISTRICT AND THE SOUTHERN
21 CALIFORNIA REGION, THE TYPES OF PROGRAMS THAT THEY HAVE HERE,
22 THE COMMITMENT TO THE HARD WORKING COACHES AND STUDENTS THAT
23 GET THE JOB DONE. SO IT'S NEVER TIRING, LIKE I SAID. THANK YOU
24 SO MUCH FOR THE SUPPORT AND RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WANT TO WISH ALL THE
2 STUDENTS GOOD LUCK IN THEIR COLLEGE EDUCATION AND BEYOND AND
3 WE-- YOU KNOW, YOU REMIND ME OF WHEN I WAS IN COLLEGE, GETTING
4 OUT OF THE WESTERN REGIONAL IN BASKETBALL AGAINST JOHN WOODEN
5 WAS THE TOUGH PART AND THE REST OF IT WAS EASY. AND GETTING
6 PAST EL CAMINO HAS BECOME VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE IN THIS STATE
7 AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF YOU AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT
8 TEAM THAT COMES DOWN AND ACCEPTS THEIR AWARD. OKAY. WE'LL SEE
9 YOU NEXT YEAR. THANK YOU, MADAM PRES-- MADAM CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. NEXT,
12 SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR A PRESENTATION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'M PLEASED TO HAVE
15 JOINING ME TODAY IS LIEUTENANT-GENERAL BRIAN ARNOLD AND
16 LIEUTENANT MIKE HIGHLAND. GENERAL ARNOLD HAS BEEN THE
17 COMMANDER OF THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE SINCE OCTOBER OF
18 2001. IN HIS LEADERSHIP POSITION, HE HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR
19 THE AIR FORCE SATELLITE CONTROL NETWORK, THE NAVSTAR GLOBAL
20 POSITIONING SYSTEM PROGRAM, THE INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC
21 MISSILE PROGRAMS AS WELL AS ALL THE EMERGING SPACE PROGRAMS
22 THAT HAS BEEN USED IN ALL OF OUR NATION'S CONFLICTS. HE'S ALSO
23 BEEN VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING ALL OF US TO REBUILD THE AIR
24 FORCE BASE. WHEN HE ASSUMED THE BASE COMMAND, THE BASE WAS
25 COMPOSED OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES THAT WERE IN EXCESS OF 50



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1 YEARS OLD. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE, HE WORKED
2 TOGETHER WITH US, THE COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF EL SEGUNDO AND
3 HAWTHORNE TO PROVIDE NEW 21ST CENTURY FACILITIES. THE SOUTH
4 BAY COMMUNITY HAS BEEN WORKING VERY HARD TO IMPROVE THE
5 HOUSING FOR THE BASE MILITARY PERSONNEL AS WELL, ALSO ACCESS
6 TO QUALITY EDUCATION, IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES. IT'S
7 REALLY BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH GENERAL ARNOLD OVER THESE
8 THREE YEARS THAT HE'S BEEN HERE AND OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE IS
9 THE GREAT NEWS OF ABOUT A WEEK AGO. WE FOUGHT VERY HARD HERE
10 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND A COALITION OF GROUPS AND
11 ORGANIZATIONS AND POLITICAL LEADERS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
12 DIDN'T LOSE THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE IN THE CUTS THAT
13 WERE BEING RECOMMENDED BY THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. UNDER HIS
14 COMMAND, WE TALK ABOUT CERTAIN THINGS BUT HE HAS ABOUT 6,500
15 EMPLOYEES AND AN ANNUAL BUDGET OF \$10 BILLION AND THIS IS ALL
16 PART OF IT BUT RELATED TO THAT STATEWIDE IS BILLIONS OF
17 DOLLARS IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, PROBABLY 125,000 JOBS STATEWIDE.
18 IT WOULD HAVE BEEN AN INCREDIBLE LOSS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY
19 AND TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND I JUST-- I KNOW HE WAS IN
20 A DIFFICULT POSITION. HE COULDN'T REALLY TALK ABOUT IT AT
21 TIMES. WE DID SOME GREAT SONG AND DANCE ROUTINES TO MAKE SURE
22 THAT EVERYBODY KNEW HOW IMPORTANT HIS OPERATION AND HIS
23 LEADERSHIP WAS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PARTICULARLY
24 IN MILITARY VALUE. NO ONE COULD UNDERESTIMATE THAT BECAUSE WE
25 DIDN'T SEE RUNWAYS OR WE DIDN'T SEE JETS TAKING OFF, EVERYONE



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1 SAID, "WHAT L.A. AIR FORCE BASE?" WELL, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
2 IT'S AN INCREDIBLE FACILITY THAT'S ON THE FOREFRONT OF ALL OF
3 OUR MILITARY ACTIVITY, ALL OF OUR PUBLIC SAFETY KINDS OF
4 ISSUES AND WE JUST WANT TO THANK GENERAL ARNOLD AS HE RETIRES
5 AND MOVES ON, THE VERY, VERY BEST IN HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS BUT
6 THANK YOU MOST IMPORTANTLY FOR THESE LAST YEARS OF LEADERSHIP
7 HERE AT THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE. GENERAL ARNOLD,
8 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **GENERAL BRIAN ARNOLD:** THANK YOU, DON. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK
11 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE RECOGNITION HERE OF A
12 CULMINATION OF MY 34 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE.
13 IT'S HARD TO REFLECT ON 34 YEARS VERY QUICKLY. THE LANDSCAPE
14 HAS CHANGED SO MUCH AND SO DRAMATICALLY SINCE THE END OF THE
15 VIETNAM ERA, THROUGH THE COLD WAR, DESERT STORM, KOSOVO, AND
16 NOW IRAQI FREEDOM AND WAR ON TERRORISM BUT I WILL TELL YOU,
17 IT'S A GREAT WAY TO END A CAREER HERE THE LAST FOUR YEARS AS A
18 COMMANDER OF L.A. AIR FORCE BASE AND LIVING HERE IN LOS
19 ANGELES AND I'D LIKE TO THANK THE GREAT SUPPORT FROM MY GOOD
20 FRIEND, DON KNABE, WHO DID FIGHT BEHIND THE SCENES TO PRESERVE
21 THIS BASE AND, WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR
22 THIS RECOGNITION AND HAVE A GREAT DAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** BEFORE, I'M JUST GOING TO TAKE A POINT OF
25 PRIVILEGE HERE BEFORE I DO MY NEXT PRESENTATION. I HAVE A VERY



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1 SPECIAL PRESENT-- SOME FOLKS I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE. MY NEPHEW,
2 MARK HALLABA, AND HIS WIFE, JENNY, AND THEIR SON, DREW, ARE
3 VISITING FROM NEBRASKA AND-- HEY, BIG GUY. WHAT'S ALL THIS
4 ACTIVITY? BUT WE'RE VERY PROUD OF MARK. HE HAS JUST BEEN
5 NOTIFIED HIS UNIT WILL BE CALLED UP FOR TRAINING IN OCTOBER
6 FOR DEPLOYMENT IN JANUARY TO IRAQ. DO YOU WANT TO SAY
7 SOMETHING? SAY HI? NO? ALL RIGHT. ANYWAY, WE JUST WANT TO
8 WELCOME THEM. I'M HAPPY TO HAVE THEM HERE. THEY'RE DOWN HERE
9 FOR THE DAY AND WE WISH MARK THE VERY, VERY BEST. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** AT THIS TIME, I WANT GOING TO CALL UP DR. RON
12 LEON, WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY MEMBERS OF HIS SCHOOL BOARD,
13 SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT DR. GIL GARCIA, HEIDI GALLEGOS, JUDY
14 NYE AND GLORIA BURKE FROM THE ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.
15 TODAY, WE'RE HONORING DR. LEON, ANOTHER UNFORTUNATE GOOD-BYE,
16 LIKE GENERAL ARNOLD, WHO HAS BEEN SUPERINTENDENT OF THE
17 ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WHO IS RETIRING AFTER 35 YEARS
18 OF SERVICE. HE HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLE LEADER IN HIS GUIDANCE
19 BY EARNING NUMEROUS STATEWIDE AND NATIONAL HONORS, SECURING
20 ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S POSITION WITH A VERY ELITE
21 GROUP OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS. HE HAS FULFILLED HIS PERSONAL
22 COMMITMENT TO THE CHILDREN OF THE DISTRICT BY CONTINUING TO
23 STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE CLASSROOM, IN THE HOME AND IN THE
24 COMMUNITY BY SUPPORTING PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE RESULTED IN THE
25 DISTRICT POSTING THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE FIGURES AND THE LOWEST



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1 DROP-OUT RATES IN HISTORY. DR. LEON HAS ACCOMPLISHED THE
2 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE OF A PREMIER ADMINISTRATOR BY HAVING THE
3 DISTRICT RECEIVE FIVE OF THE CURRENT EIGHT GOLDEN BELL AWARDS
4 FOR PROGRAM EXCELLENCE. HE WAS NAMED THE NATIONAL COMMUNITY OF
5 CARING SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR IN 1999. HE HAS INTRODUCED
6 AND BEEN A PART OF REDUCED CLASSROOM SIZE, CONTENT AND
7 INSTRUCTIONAL STANDARDS, EXPANDING ARTS PROGRAM, WHICH IS
8 SPECIAL TO ME, COMMUNITY SERVICE, EVERYTHING THAT YOU COULD
9 POSSIBLY THINK, A VERY HANDS-ON SUPERINTENDENT. I KNOW HIS
10 SCHOOL BOARD IS VERY PROUD OF HIM AS WELL, TOO, BUT I'M OUT
11 AND AROUND A LOT AND PARTICULARLY OUT IN THAT AREA, AND DR.
12 LEON IS EVERY PLACE. AND SO I KNOW HIS BOARD APPRECIATES IT,
13 THE STUDENTS APPRECIATE IT, THE FACULTY AND THE PARENTS. SO I
14 KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA WOULD LIKE TO SHARE A FEW WORDS AS
15 WELL BUT WE JUST WANT TO THANK DR. LEON FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF
16 SERVICE AND WISH HIM VERY WELL IN HIS FUTURE.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE. IT IS
19 SO APPROPRIATE THAT WE MAKE A PRESENTATION HERE TO DR. LEON. I
20 WANT THE BOARD MEMBERS TO KNOW HOW COOPERATIVE THIS GENTLEMAN
21 HAS BEEN WITH OUR OFFICE AND ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY, THE KIND OF
22 PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO STRIKE HAS BEEN AMAZING.
23 SOMETIMES WHEN WE DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES IN THE
24 UNINCORPORATED AREA FOR A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO OPEN UP THEIR
25 LIBRARY, SO THAT OUR MUTUAL CONSTITUENTS CAN JOIN AND DO THEIR



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1 HOMEWORK AND DO THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE. THE
2 PARTNERSHIP HAS BEEN TERRIFIC. I HOPE THAT, AFTER YOU LEAVE,
3 THERE'S GOING TO BE SOMEONE WHO IS GOING TO BE AS HELPFUL AND
4 BE ABLE TO DO THE KIND OF OUTREACH. WE DON'T HAVE MANY SCHOOL
5 DISTRICTS THAT JOIN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH US IN THIS REGARD,
6 WHICH IS SO UNFORTUNATE, BUT YOU HAVE BEEN ABLE TO NOT ONLY
7 CREATE THE PARTNERSHIP BUT MAKE IT A WIN/WIN FOR THE ENTIRE
8 COMMUNITY. WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP, SORRY TO SEE
9 YOU GO. I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO BE A VERY, VERY TOUGH
10 SUPERINTENDENT TO REPLACE BUT WE REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THAT
11 YOU DO AND MY STAFF WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT I SAID THANK YOU
12 TO YOU ON THEIR BEHALF BECAUSE THEY REALLY APPRECIATED THE
13 LEVEL OF WORK AND THE OUTREACH THAT YOU DID WITH ALL OF THEM.
14 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, SIR. ENJOY YOUR TIME OFF, YOUR
15 RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **DR. RONALD J. LEON:** MY APPRECIATION TO SUPERVISORS KNABE AND
18 MOLINA AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. FOR THE PAST DECADE,
19 ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS PARTNERED WITH THE
20 SUPERVISORS ON MANY PROJECTS, PROJECTS THAT BETTER THE LIVES
21 OF OUR COMMUNITIES, OF OUR FAMILIES, AND OUR STUDENTS,
22 INCLUDING THE FOUNDING OF SAFE COMMUNITIES WEEK, WHICH IS NOW
23 ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HONORED TO HAVE MY MOTHER, MRS.
24 WAYNE, HERE IN THE AUDIENCE, MY MOTHER-IN-LAW, MRS. SOUTHWARD,
25 AND FOUR MEMBERS OF OUR OUTSTANDING BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT



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1 THE SUPERVISOR INTRODUCED, AS WELL AS MRS. CARDENAS AND MRS.
2 NIETO FROM MY OFFICE STAFF. I'M VERY PROUD OF ROWLAND UNIFIED
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TO HAVE BEEN PART OF IT THE PAST 23 YEARS
4 AND THE PAST 11 YEARS AS SUPERINTENDENT. ROWLAND UNIFIED IS AN
5 OUTSTANDING DISTRICT WHERE DIVERSITY IS EMBRACED, SAFETY IS
6 STRONG, FAMILIES ARE INVOLVED AND ENGAGED AND ACADEMIC
7 ACHIEVEMENT IS HIGH. IN FACT, ROWLAND UNIFIED IS ONE OF ONLY
8 THREE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE ENTIRE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT
9 IS BEING STUDIED NOW BY A STATEWIDE RESEARCH GROUP,
10 SPRINGBOARD SCHOOLS, TO IDENTIFY WHAT BEST PRACTICES ARE IN
11 PLACE IN ROWLAND TO SHARE ACROSS THE STATE WITH OTHER SCHOOL
12 DISTRICTS AND I'M PROUD OF OUR STAFF AND PARENTS AND STUDENTS
13 AND OUR BOARD FOR MAKING THIS POSSIBLE. IN CLOSING, THANK YOU
14 FOR THIS SPECIAL HONOR AND FOR PARTNERING WITH US OVER THE
15 YEARS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SIR. SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY, WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE A FAMILIAR
21 FACE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS, A GOOD
22 FRIEND, AWARD-WINNING NEWSCASTER AND CO-HOST OF VISTA L.A. ON
23 KABC-TV, CHANNEL 7. WITH HIM TODAY IS THE PRESIDENT AND
24 GENERAL MANAGER OF KABC-TV, ARNIE KLEINER, AND VICE PRESIDENT
25 AND NEWS DIRECTOR OF KABC-TV, SHERYL FAIRER. HENRY WAS BORN IN



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1 LOS ANGELES COUNTY NOT FAR FROM THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION IN
2 THE LINCOLN HEIGHTS AREA WHERE HE GREW UP. HE'S THE RECIPIENT
3 OF THE FAMED EAGLE AWARD IN THE FIELD OF TELEVISION REPORTING
4 BUT, AFTER GRADUATING FROM CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL, HE RECEIVED
5 SCHOLARSHIP IN JOURNALISM AND FOOTBALL TO PEPPERDINE
6 UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE EARNED HIS BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN
7 ENGLISH. AND THEN, 1970, HE JOINED KABC-TV'S EYEWITNESS NEWS.
8 HIS DISTINGUISHED CAREER HAS EARNED HIM MANY HONORS FOR HIS
9 REPORTING, INCLUDING FIVE GOLDEN MIKES, FOUR EMMYS AND A
10 NOMINATION FOR THE COVETED PEABODY AWARD. AND THROUGHOUT HIS
11 YEARS WORKING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, HENRY HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED
12 BY SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
13 MEXICAN-AMERICAN AND LATINO COMMUNITIES. AS I SAID, HE WAS
14 PRESENTED THE RAY OF HOPE BY HISPANIC ORGANIZATION FOR
15 POLITICAL EQUALITY. THIS IS AN ALL PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S
16 ORGANIZATION AND HENRY WAS THE FIRST MALE TO BE SO HONORED. HE
17 WAS ALSO NAMED ONE OF THE TOP 100 INFLUENTIAL LATINOS IN THE
18 UNITED STATES BY HISPANIC MAGAZINE. IN 1995, HE WAS NAMED
19 ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR OF PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY. HE WAS ALSO
20 AWARDED THE NATIONAL HISPANIC MEDIA ASSOCIATION, WHICH HONORED
21 HIM FOR BEST TELEVISION NEWS REPORTS IN THE UNITED STATES, AND
22 HE WAS PRESENTED WITH THE HUMANITARIAN AWARD FROM THE LEAGUE
23 OF UNITED LATINO AMERICAN COMMUNITIES NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
24 FOR SERVING AS A ROLE MODEL TO THE COMMUNITY. SO, HENRY, 30
25 YEARS HAVE GONE BY SO QUICKLY. IT'S A PLEASURE TO HAVE WORKED



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1 WITH YOU AND BEEN WITH YOU, I GUESS, FROM THE BEGINNING. I WAS
2 ELECTED IN 1969 TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
3 THOSE WERE MEETINGS THAT YOU COVERED, ALONG WITH ANOTHER
4 FORMER GOVERNOR, JERRY BROWN. BUT, HENRY, WE APPRECIATE YOUR
5 LEADERSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY, YOUR FRIENDSHIP. AND HENRY IS ONE
6 OF THOSE WHO TAKES TIME TO VOLUNTEER TO EMCEE MANY OF THE
7 VARIOUS COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT WE HOST, AND FOR ALWAYS BEING
8 THERE AND EVEN SHOPPING AT THE GALLERIA WITH HIS FAMILY FROM
9 TIME TO TIME IN GLENDALE. WE APPRECIATE THAT. SO GOD BLESS YOU
10 AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WHILE YOU TAKE
13 PICTURES, IF I MIGHT ADD, IT IS-- HENRY ALFARO, BESIDES BEING
14 A VERY RESPECTED JOURNALIST THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND SOMEONE
15 WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN ALL KINDS OF SIGNIFICANT ISSUES AND
16 RECEIVED VARIOUS AWARDS, YOU DON'T HAVE TO SCRATCH TOO FAR TO
17 FIND OUT THAT HENRY ALFARO IS REALLY ONE OF THOSE LEADERS IN
18 OUR COMMUNITY WHO CARES A LOT ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON. YOU SEE
19 HIM GIVING ADVICE AND LEADERSHIP AND PRESENTING AN AWFUL LOT
20 OF ISSUES. HE'S AN ACTIVIST ON HIS OWN AND HE CAN GET RADICAL
21 IF HE WANTS TO. I'VE SEEN HIM IN ACTION WHEN HE HAD TO PROTECT
22 CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL. YOU NEVER EVEN SAW ANYBODY TOUGHER,
23 WANTING TO MAINTAIN THAT SCHOOL HERE IN THE COMMUNITY. BUT WE
24 ARE GOING TO MISS HIM, NOT ONLY AS A JOURNALIST BUT
25 PARTICULARLY AS ONE OF OUR LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. I KNOW HE



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1 WON'T GO TOO FAR BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THE ISSUES WILL ESCAPE
2 HIM, HE'LL ALWAYS BE A PART OF IT. BUT WE REALLY APPRECIATE
3 ALL YOU'VE CONTRIBUTED, HENRY, AND CONGRATULATIONS. IT HAS
4 BEEN REALLY A PLEASURE TO WATCH YOU AND, WHEN WE WATCH THE
5 SPECIAL THE OTHER DAY, I WAS SO IMPRESSED OF ALL THE WORK THAT
6 YOU'VE DONE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. YOU DESERVE AN AWFUL LOT OF
7 CONGRATULATIONS FROM ALL OF US.

8

9 **HENRY ALFARO:** THANKS, GLORIA. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **HENRY ALFARO:** THANK YOU, MIKE, AND THANK YOU, GLORIA, FOR
12 THOSE VERY KIND WORDS. 35 YEARS HAS GONE BY VERY QUICKLY AND I
13 MIGHT ADD THAT, IN RETROSPECT AND LOOKING BACK, I REMEMBER
14 BEING AT THE FIRST NEWS CONFERENCE, ONE OF THE FIRST
15 INTERVIEWS WITH GLORIA MOLINA WHEN SHE WAS UNDERGOING A RACE
16 FOR THE ASSEMBLY AND SHE WON. AND I REMEMBER MANY TIMES AND
17 SOMETIMES THEY WEREN'T PLEASANT OCCASIONS, OF TAKING ON MIKE
18 ANTONOVICH ON CERTAIN ISSUES, BUT IT'S ALL PART OF THE GAME
19 AND IT'S ALL PART OF BEING A JOURNALIST. IT'S ALL PART OF
20 TELLING THE TRUTH AND NOT HAVING ANY BASIC OPINIONS. BUT,
21 NEVERTHELESS, I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
22 THIS RECOGNITION. I'VE SPENT MANY, MANY DAYS AND HOURS
23 COVERING A VARIETY OF EVENTS HERE AND SOME ARE REALLY, TRULY
24 UNUSUAL EVENTS IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THIS ROOM HERE.
25 BUT, BOTTOM LINE IS, IT'S TIME TO MOVE ON AND PEOPLE SAY, WHAT



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1 ARE YOU GOING TO DO? I SAY I DON'T KNOW BECAUSE I NEVER
2 MEASURE MY DAY FROM MINUTES OR HOURS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.
3 THE RESILIENCE AND THE ABILITY TO ADAPT TO DIFFERENT
4 SITUATIONS I THINK IS PART OF THE FUN IN TAKING ON A NEW ROLE.
5 BUT NEVERTHELESS, AS GLORIA INDICATED, YEAH, I WILL KEEP A TAB
6 ON MY COMMUNITY BECAUSE A LOT STILL HAS TO BE DONE. IT'S
7 UNFORTUNATE THAT THE STUDENTS FROM EL CAMINO REAL SCHOOL HAVE
8 LEFT ALREADY, BECAUSE I DID A NUMBER OF REPORTS WITH THEM AND
9 THE MOST MEMORABLE ONE WAS WHEN THE STUDENTS STAYED AFTER
10 SCHOOL STUDYING FOR HOURS AND COMING IN ON WEEKENDS AND
11 WATCHING THEM PREPARE FOR THE ASSAULT ON THE RECORD FOR THE
12 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS. AND SO I CONGRATULATE THEM, EVEN THOUGH
13 THEY'RE NOT HERE. BUT ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S
14 BEEN AN HONOR AND A PLEASURE AND IT'S BEEN PART OF THE JOB.
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **ARTIE KLEINER:** JUST TAKE A MINUTE. I'M ARTIE KLEINER. I'M
18 GENERAL MANAGER OF THE STATION AND A LITTLE PART OF ME IS
19 LEAVING BECAUSE, OVER THE LAST 9-1/2 YEARS, HENRY AND I HAVE
20 KIND OF MENTORED EACH OTHER, AND FOR A JOURNALIST WHO IS NOT
21 SUPPOSED TO HAVE TOO MANY OPINIONS, HE'S NEVER HAD A PROBLEM
22 TELLING ME WHAT I'VE BEEN DONE WRONG AND I'M KIND OF GOING TO
23 MISS THAT. WE'VE MENTORED EACH OTHER, WE'VE TALKED ABOUT OUR
24 FAMILIES, TALKED ABOUT OUR KIDS, WE'VE HAD LUNCH AND DINNER
25 TOGETHER, HE'S TAKEN ME PLACES I NEVER WOULD HAVE GONE HAD IT



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1 NOT BEEN FOR HENRY, PLACES I WILL RETURN TO. AND 35 YEARS IS A
2 LONG TIME AND, FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO KNOW HENRY, KNOW HE HAS
3 MANY, MANY YEARS AHEAD OF HIM AND, IF YOU THINK HE'S OUT OF
4 YOUR HAIR, FORGET IT, HE'S NOT AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [
5 APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE SHEPHERD MIX, A LITTLE
8 GIRL NAMED SUSIE, WHO IS SEVEN WEEKS OLD WHO IS LOOKING FOR A
9 HOME. THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING ON TELEVISION, YOU CAN CALL THE
10 NUMBER (562) 728-4644. HENRY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE
11 SUSIE FOR YOUR-- 7 WEEKS OLD. LOOK AT HER. JUST LOOK AT THOSE
12 BIG EYES! [LAUGHTER]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYWAY, LITTLE SUSIE IS LOOKING FOR A HOME.
15 SO ANYBODY WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER, YOU CAN CALL THE
16 NUMBER AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR TELEVISION SCREEN OR IN THE
17 AUDIENCE. LET ME JUST, FOR THE RECORD, ON SATURDAY, MAY 28TH,
18 THIS IS MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND AT ARCADIA COUNTY PARK. IT'S
19 GOING TO BE REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND
20 THAT'S AT THE CORNER OF HUNTINGTON DRIVE AND SAN ANITA. WE ARE
21 GOING TO BE FEATURING SKY DIVERS AND WORLD WAR II FIGHTER
22 PLANES BUT THERE WILL BE OVER 100 AGENCIES PROVIDING BENEFIT
23 INFORMATION FOR VETERANS, INCLUDING EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION,
24 HOUSING, EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE, LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND FRITZ
25 COLEMAN, WHO WILL CO-HOST AND BE THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES, A



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1 SPECIAL TRIBUTE WILL BEGIN AT 11:30 A.M. THE PROGRAM IS FROM
2 10:00 TO 3:00 P.M. BUT THE PROGRAM THAT FRITZ COLEMAN AND I
3 WILL PARTICIPATE IN WILL BEGIN AT 11:30 A.M. AND WE WANT TO
4 THANK MY DEPUTY, JAY GOMEZ, FOR HELPING-- A PURPLE HEART
5 VETERAN FROM VIETNAM, FOR HELPING TO COORDINATE THIS EVENT FOR
6 OUR OFFICE AND THE COMMUNITY. SO, THAT'S SATURDAY, MAY 28TH.
7 THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. IT'S MY
10 UNDERSTANDING THAT ITEM 20 HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM ITS HOLD. SO
11 IF WE COULD MOVE THAT FORWARD, IT'S MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
13 SO ORDERED ON ITEM 20. ALL RIGHT. WE ARE GOING TO GO TO OUR
14 PUBLIC HEARINGS?

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WOULD ASK ALL OF
17 THOSE WHO WOULD PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THIS BOARD ON ANY OF
18 THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS TO PLEASE STAND, RAISE YOUR RIGHT
19 HAND, AND BE SWORN IN. [ADMINISTERING OATH]

20

21 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED. ITEM NUMBER
22 1, HEARING ON THE ANNUAL GARBAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL
23 SERVICE FEES REPORT. AND ON THE COLLECTION OF INCREASED ANNUAL
24 SERVICE FEES IN THE WALNUT PARK GARBAGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT FOR



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1 FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM
2 CHAIR, ON THIS ITEM.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. DO WE HAVE A REPORT ON THIS
5 ITEM OR NOT?

6

7 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** YES, MADAM CHAIR, WE DO. STAFF PRESENT
8 ON ITEM NUMBER 1.

9

10 **NARDY DREW:** GOOD MORNING.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

13

14 **NARDY DREW:** MY NAME IS NARDY DREW AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL
15 ENGINEER FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS DIVISION OF THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE
17 PROCEEDINGS FOR AN INCREASE IN THE GARBAGE COLLECTION AND
18 DISPOSAL SERVICE FEE AND FOR THE COLLECTION OF SERVICE FEES ON
19 THE TAX ROLL FOR FISCAL YEARS 2005/2006 FOR THE WALNUT PARK
20 GARBAGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT. THE REPORT ON THESE GARBAGE
21 COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICE FEES WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE
22 AND UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS DIVISION
23 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. IN MY OPINION, THE SERVICE
24 FEE NEEDS TO BE INCREASED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE DISPOSAL
25 SERVICE. THIS IS DUE TO THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN COSTS IN



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1 WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL COSTS WITHIN THE INDUSTRY AND
2 THE RECENT DECISION TO UTILIZE AUTOMATED COLLECTION METHODS
3 WITHIN THIS DISTRICT TO ACHIEVE BETTER SERVICE AND HIGHER
4 DIVERSION RATES. ADDITIONALLY, IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO
5 CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE FEES ON THE TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT
6 PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY COLLECTION OF SUCH CHARGES FROM
7 AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS. ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS DIVISION
8 RECEIVED TWO WRITTEN PROTESTS REGARDING THE RATE OF FEE
9 INCREASE. WE ALSO RECEIVED ONE E-MAIL AND NINE TELEPHONE
10 INQUIRIES REGARDING THE FEE. IN MY OPINION, THE FEES HAVE BEEN
11 FAIRLY IMPOSED. IN THE EVENT OF NO MAJORITY PROTEST, WE
12 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED
13 IN THE BOARD LETTER ON THIS ITEM.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. WE HAD ONE SPEAKER, MARGARITA
16 GUILLEN BUT SHE HAS DECIDED NOT TO SPEAK AND SHE WAS IN
17 SUPPORT OF IT. SENORA GUILLEN? (SPEAKING SPANISH) THE ITEM IS
18 BEFORE US. IT IS MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY MS. BURKE. IS
19 THERE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT
20 ITEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 2.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING ON THE SEWAGE SERVICE CHARGE
23 ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006, FOR THE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS,
25 MADAM CHAIR.



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2 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU AND I'M A SENIOR
3 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
4 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE
5 CHARGE REPORT FOR CONSOLIDATING THE SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
6 DISTRICT AND THE _____ SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
7 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006 AND TO RETAIN ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE
8 CHARGES-- THIS REQUIRES SEWER SERVICE CHARGES TO THE EXISTING
9 FISCAL YEAR 2004/2005 LEVELS AND TO COLLECT THESE CHARGES ON
10 THE TAX ROLL AND TO REDUCE THE ADDITIONAL ANNUAL ZONE SEWER
11 SERVICE CHARGES FOR THE ANITA AND FOXPARK ZONES BY \$10.00 AND
12 \$42.90 RESPECTIVELY. THE ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WILL
13 OTHERWISE REMAIN IN THEIR EXISTING FISCAL YEAR 2004/2005
14 LEVELS. THE REPORT OF THESE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WAS PREPARED
15 IN MY OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN MY OPINION, IT IS
16 NECESSARY TO RETAIN THE ANNUAL DISTRICT-WIDE SEWER SERVICE
17 CHARGES IN THE COUNTY SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AT THEIR
18 EXISTING LEVELS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF REDUCTIONS IN THE ANITA
19 AND FOXPARK DRIVE ZONES. IN MY OPINION, IT IS IN THE PUBLIC
20 INTEREST TO COLLECT ALL THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WITHIN THE
21 COUNTY SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ON TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT
22 PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY COLLECTION OF SURCHARGES FROM
23 THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS. IN MY OPINION, THESE CHARGES
24 HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. WE RECEIVED NO PROTESTS.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO WE HAVE ANYONE WHO WISHES TO
2 TESTIFY ON THIS ITEM? WE'VE RECEIVED NO OTHER COMMENT. ALL
3 RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
4 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
5 ORDERED ON ITEM NUMBER 2.

6

7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 3, HEARING ON APPROVAL OF THE
8 2005/2006 ACTION PLAN TO ENABLE THE COUNTY TO RECEIVE AND
9 ADMINISTER FEDERAL FUNDS FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
10 ACTIVITIES. ALSO, MADAM CHAIR, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO TAKE
11 UP AGENDA NUMBERS 1-D AND 1-H TOGETHER WITH THIS ITEM. WE HAVE
12 NO WRITTEN PROTEST.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 1-H AND 1-D? ALL THREE OF THOSE? ALL
15 RIGHT. AND THIS ONE DOES NOT HAVE A-- THIS IS JUST A PUBLIC
16 HEARING?

17

18 **RICHARD WEISS:** THAT'S CORRECT, MADAM CHAIR.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO WE HAVE ANYONE WHO WISHES TO
21 ADDRESS US ON THIS ITEM? OH, WE HAVE MR. ROBINSON. I
22 APOLOGIZE. RICHARD ROBINSON, IF YOU WOULD JOIN US, PLEASE.

23

24 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** MADAM CHAIRWOMAN, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON.
25 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZER IN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. I



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1 RESIDE IN THE SEVEN STAR MOTEL, IN ROOM NUMBER 211, A HALF
2 BLOCK EAST OF THE MAIN INTERSECTION AT HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD AND
3 LA BREA AVENUE AT THE CORNER OF YUCCA AND LA BREA. MA'AM, VIS-
4 A-VIS THE \$1,326,590 PORTION OF THE MORE THAN \$100 MILLION OF
5 THIS ITEM NUMBER 3, DURING THE STORMS, TENS OF THOUSANDS OF
6 THE COUNTY'S HOMELESS PEOPLE EXPERIENCED UNIMAGINABLE
7 SUFFERING. I AM ASKING YOU TODAY, AS THE SUMMER MONTHS
8 APPROACH, TO CONSIDER THE INCREASING HOMELESS POPULATION,
9 WHICH IS HEADING NORTH NOW THAT THE WARM WEATHER ALLOWS, THAT
10 TENS OF THOUSANDS OF HOMELESS PEOPLE TO DRIFT BACK TO THEIR
11 HOMES IN NEW ENGLAND, MICHIGAN, WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA, MONTANA,
12 NORTH DAKOTA AND SO ON. THE NEW MIDNIGHT MISSION IS A HELP BUT
13 NOT ENOUGH. I WAS ALARMED BY THE PLIGHT OF THE HUNDREDS OF THE
14 CITY'S HOMELESS FORCED TO SEEK SHELTER FROM THE WET AND COLD
15 UNDER CARDBOARD BECAUSE THE UNION RESCUE MISSION DID NOT HAVE
16 THE FUNDS NEEDED TO OPEN ITS DOORS. I REALIZE THAT THAT
17 MISSION IS PRIVATE; HOWEVER, THE COUNTY SHELTERS SHOULD
18 PROVIDE THE NECESSARY TRANSPORTATION TO GET TO THE COUNTY
19 SHELTERS. I AM IMPRESSED BY THE WORK WHICH SAN FRANCISCO'S
20 MAYOR AND THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE DOING TO PREPARE FOR
21 THE APPROACHING BUBBLE IN THE HOMELESS POPULATION. GAVIN HAS A
22 FLEET OF VANS EQUIPPED WITH COMPUTERS AND RADIOS PATROLLING
23 THE CITY'S STREETS. DESIGNATED M.A.P. VANS, M.A.P., THOSE
24 MOBILE ASSISTANT PATROLS, TAKE THOSE IN NEED TO HIS CENTRAL
25 INTAKE FACILITY, A COMMUNITY-- PARDON ME. PUBLIC SPEAKING



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1 ISN'T MY FORTE. PLEASE BEAR WITH ME WHILE I ATTEMPT TO GIVE
2 STRUCTURE TO A RELATIVELY DISORGANIZED MIND HERE. A COMMUNITY
3 TREATMENT CENTER THAT IS AN INGREDIENT IN THE PROCESS OF
4 SOLVING THE PROBLEM BY BRINGING TO THE TABLE A CORNUCOPIA OF
5 OPPORTUNITIES TO A WOEFUL SITUATION THAT HAD ALLOWED THE
6 REVOLVING DOOR MINDSET TO BECOME THE EFFECTIVE JAM. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. ROBINSON. ITEM 3 IS BEFORE
9 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
10 BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ITEM
11 NUMBER 4.

12

13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE WE MOVE ON, IT WOULD
14 ALSO BE APPROPRIATE TO TAKE UP RELATED ITEMS 1-D...

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, THAT'S RIGHT, THOSE WERE ALL
17 CONNECTED. ALSO, ON ITEM 3, WHICH WAS CONNECTED TO 1-D AND 1-
18 HM, ALSO MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY
19 SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE
20 TWO ITEMS.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. NUMBER 4, HEARING
23 ON THE LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS IN COUNTY LIGHTING
24 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR
25 FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.



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ANTHONY NYIVIH: MY NAME IS ANTHONY NYIVIH AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR ALL ZONES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006 AT SAME RATE HAVE BEEN LEVIED DURING THE CURRENT YEAR. IN MY OPINION, ALL THE TERRITORY WITHIN LLA-1 WILL CONTINUE TO BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES PROVIDED AND THE ASSESSMENT CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD PROPORTIONATE TO THE BENEFITS PROVIDED BY THE INVOLVED PROPERTIES. IN MY OPINION, IT IS JUST AND EQUITABLE AND IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ADDITIONAL LIGHTS BE MADE A CHARGE UPON THE EXISTING DISTRICT AS A WHOLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/'06. WE ARE AWARE OF NO PROTESTS.

16

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR THAT REPORT. THERE IS NO ONE THAT'S SIGNED UP FOR THIS, SO THIS IS THE LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR ALL DISTRICTS. ALL RIGHT. WE MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND IT IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT. ITEM 5.

23

CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND



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1 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND THE
2 LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR
3 FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM
4 CHAIR.

5

6 **ANTHONY NYIVIH:** MY NAME IS ANTHONY NYIVIH AND I'M A SENIOR
7 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
8 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF
9 TERRITORY TO LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY
10 LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE. THE LEVYING AND
11 COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FIVE SUBDIVISION AREAS
12 DESCRIBED IN THE BOARD LETTER. IN MY OPINION, THE SUBDIVISION
13 AREAS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO
14 BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN
15 PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE NO MAJORITY
16 PROTESTS, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE
17 RECOMMENDATION TO ANNEX A LEVY TO PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS. WE ARE
18 ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVE THE EXCHANGE OF
19 PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR NONEXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES WHICH HAVE
20 CONSENTED AND TO APPROVE THE EXCHANGE OF REVENUES WITH
21 PALMDALE WATER DISTRICTS ON "A" WHICH VOTED NOT TO PARTICIPATE
22 IN THE EXCHANGE, ON THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE
23 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WHICH HAS NOT RESPONDED.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.



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2 **ANTHONY NYIVIH:** WE ARE AWARE OF NO PROTESTS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND THERE'S NO ONE HERE THAT'S SIGNED UP
5 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, IS THAT CORRECT? IF SO, MEMBERS, IT'S
6 APPROPRIATE THAT WE WOULD CLOSE THE HEARING AND DIRECT THE
7 TABULATION OF THE BALLOTS AND TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL LATER IN
8 THE MEETING WHEN THOSE VOTES ARE COUNTED. THIS IS MOVED-- I
9 MOVE AND IT'S SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S
10 NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT. ITEM NUMBER 6.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF TERRITORIES TO
13 COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS 1687 AND 10-0006 AND
14 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED, AND DIAMOND
15 BAR ZONES AND THE LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR STREET
16 LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006. WE HAVE NO
17 WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

18

19 **ANTHONY NYIVIH:** MY NAME IS ANTHONY NYIVIH AND I'M A SENIOR
20 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
21 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF
22 TERRITORIES TO LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 1006 AND
23 THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND
24 DIAMOND BAR ZONE AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS
25 WITH RESPECT TO FIVE PETITIONED AREAS DESCRIBED IN THE BOARD



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1 LETTER. ONE OF THE PETITIONED AREAS LIE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES
2 OF DIAMOND BAR AND THE CONSENT AND JURISDICTION OF THE CITY
3 HAS BEEN GRANTED. IN MY OPINION, THE PETITION AREAS WILL BE
4 BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND
5 THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO
6 BENEFIT. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE ARE NO MAJORITY PROTESTS IN
7 ANY OF THE PETITIONED AREAS, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR
8 BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO ANNEX AND LEVY THE PROPOSED
9 ASSESSMENTS.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. DID ANYONE SIGN UP TO SPEAK ON
12 THIS ITEM? ALL RIGHT. THEN IT WOULD BE ALSO APPROPRIATE, AT
13 THIS TIME, MEMBERS, TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE
14 TABULATION OF VOTES, AND THEN TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL LATER IN
15 THE MEETING WHEN THE VOTES ARE COUNTED. I SO MOVE AND IT'S
16 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
17 ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 7.

18

19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING ON THE LEVYING OF FLOOD CONTROL
20 BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006 AND WE HAVE NO
21 WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

24



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1 **PAT DECHELLIS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PAT DECHELLIS. I'M A
2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
3 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY OF THE ANNUAL
4 FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006.
5 THE REPORT ON THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS WAS PREPARED IN MY
6 OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION. NO INCREASE IN BENEFIT
7 ASSESSMENT RATES IS PROPOSED FOR THE COMING FISCAL YEAR. IN MY
8 OPINION, THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE
9 PROPOSED USE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE,
10 RESTORATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF FLOOD CONTROL FACILITIES FOR
11 THE COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
12 ELIMINATION SYSTEM MUNICIPAL STORM WATER PERMIT REQUIREMENTS
13 BECAUSE THE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO THE FLOOD
14 CONTROL DISTRICT ARE NOT ADEQUATE TO COVER THE COSTS OF THE
15 VARIOUS PROGRAMS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT
16 ASSESSMENT CONTINUES TO BE BASED UPON THE PROPORTIONATE STORM
17 WATER RUN-OFF FROM AFFECTED PROPERTIES AS IS SPECIFICALLY
18 AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW, GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54-715. IN MY
19 OPINION, THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN
20 PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE'VE RECEIVED NO PHONE CALLS NOR ANY
21 WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THIS BENEFIT ASSESSMENT. THEREFORE, WE
22 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED
23 IN THE REPORT.
24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO WE HAVE NO ONE HERE WHO WISHES TO SPEAK
2 ON THIS ITEM, SO THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT IS MOVED BY
3 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF
4 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON ITEM NUMBER 7.

5

6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD, LET
7 ME JUST INTERJECT, WE HAD A REQUEST FROM THE HEALTH ADVISORY
8 BOARD TO CONTINUE 27-D FOR ONE WEEK.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE-- I'D LIKE TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS. I
11 DON'T HAVE AN OBJECTION BUT I'D LIKE DR. FLORES, IF HE'S STILL
12 HERE, TO-- BECAUSE I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS I WANT TO ASK.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL HAVE THAT AS A SPECIAL
15 SET ITEM.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IF YOU WANT TO TAKE IT OUT OF ORDER SO
18 THAT HE CAN LEAVE...

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, NO. HE'S HERE. THAT'S FINE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF YOU WANT TO TAKE IT UP, THAT'S FINE WITH
23 ME SO THAT HE CAN LEAVE.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, LET'S GO THROUGH SOME OF THESE ITEMS
2 FIRST. ALL RIGHT.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NUMBER 9. ITEM NUMBER 8 IS CONTINUED TO
5 JUNE 28, 2005. ITEM NUMBER 9, HEARING ON PROPOSED INCREASES TO
6 EXISTING WATER SUPPLY CHARGES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER
7 SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN EXISTING SERVICE AREAS FOR
8 WATERWORKS DISTRICT NUMBER 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY, AND TO
9 ESTABLISH A NEW WATER SUPPLY RELIABILITY CHARGE TO FUND
10 CAPITAL PROJECTS AND FIRM UP THE DISTRICT'S WATER SUPPLY FOR
11 NEW DEVELOPMENT. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS FOR THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS IS ONLY A PUBLIC HEARING
14 AND WE HAVE NO ONE WHO IS HERE FOR IT, SO-- IN WHOSE DISTRICT?
15 THIS WOULD BE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT?

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES, MADAM CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IT WOULD BE
20 APPROPRIATE THAT WE CLOSE THE HEARING?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE
23 ITEM.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
2 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
3 SO ORDERED ON ITEM NUMBER 9. NUMBER 10.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING ON PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY
6 LOCATED ON FERGUSON DRIVE, CITY OF COMMERCE, FROM THE
7 S.D.C.E.R.A. REALTY CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE DOLLAR
8 PLUS CLOSING AND TITLE POLICY FEES OF APPROXIMATELY \$20,000
9 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN
10 PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS IS, AGAIN, JUST A HEARING
13 ON THIS ITEM AND WE'VE RECEIVED NO ONE WHO WISHES TO ADDRESS
14 THIS ITEM. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, THIS IS MOVED BY MYSELF,
15 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
16 ORDERED ON ITEM NUMBER 10.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 11, HEARING TO CONDITIONALLY
19 VACATE, WITH RESERVATIONS, ALLEYS EAST OF LINCOLN AVENUE,
20 UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREA KNOWN AS ALTADENA. WE HAVE NO
21 WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD.

24



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1 **JOSE SUAREZ:** MY NAME IS JOSE SUAREZ. I'M AN ASSOCIATE CIVIL
2 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE
3 INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL VACATION OF THE COUNTY'S
4 EASEMENT INTEREST IN THE NORTH/SOUTH ALLEY AND PORTION OF THE
5 EAST/WEST ALLEY EAST OF LINCOLN AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED
6 ALTADENA AREA. THE VACATION HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY THE
7 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE UNDERLYING FEE OWNER
8 TO ALLOW FOR THE ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEST ALTADENA
9 SHOPPING CENTER REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT. IN MY OPINION, THE
10 INVOLVED EASEMENT INTERESTS PROPOSED TO BE VACATED ARE NOT
11 NECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE. THE VACATION
12 WILL NOT CUT OFF ACCESS TO ANY PROPERTIES OR NEGATIVELY IMPACT
13 OTHER PROPERTIES. AS A CONDITION OF THE VACATION, THE C.D.C.
14 WILL BE REQUIRED TO DEDICATE AND CONSTRUCT ALTERNATE ALLEY,
15 CURB, GUTTER, AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AREA OF THE
16 PROPOSED VACATION. WE ARE AWARE OF NO PROTESTS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. AND NO ONE HAS SIGNED UP TO
19 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, EITHER. MR. ANTONOVICH, IT WOULD BE
20 APPROPRIATE THAT WE CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS ONE?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CLOSE THE HEARING AND MOVE THE ITEM.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON
3 ITEM NUMBER 11. THANK YOU. ITEM 12.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TITLE
6 4, REVENUE AND FINANCE, TO INCREASE THE NOTIFICATION OF
7 PARTIES OF INTEREST FEE FROM A FIXED STATUTORY FEE AND TO
8 INCREASE THE TITLE SEARCH FEE FROM \$57.50 TO \$60.00. WE HAVE
9 NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MADAM CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND THIS IS, AGAIN, JUST A HEARING, THERE
12 IS NO REPORT ON THIS ITEM. AGAIN, THIS IS FOR ALL DISTRICTS.
13 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
14 IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON ITEM NUMBER 12. ITEM
15 NUMBER 13.

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DE NOVO HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE
18 PERMIT, CASE NUMBER 200400077-(4), PROJECT NUMBER R2004-00956
19 AND DETERMINATION OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION TO AUTHORIZE THE
20 CONTINUED USE OF AN EXISTING BANQUET FACILITY WITH THE SALE OF
21 A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION
22 LOCATED AT 4215 ADMIRALTY WAY, MARINA DEL REY IN THE PLEA DEL
23 RAY ZONE DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY FANTASIA YACHTS AND YACHT
24 CLUB. WE HAVE RECEIVED WRITTEN PROTESTS ON THIS ITEM, MADAM
25 CHAIR.



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RUSSELL FRICANO: MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, GOOD MORNING. I'M RUSSELL FRICANO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. TO MY LEFT IS SAM DIAZ, ALSO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, THE CASE PLANNER; AND FURTHER TO THE LEFT IS JOE BAIOGEO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE APPLICANT HAS REQUESTED A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE CONTINUED USE OF AN EXISTING BANQUET FACILITY WITH THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION. THE PROJECT IS LOCATED AT 4215 ADMIRALTY ROAD OR PARCEL 125 IN MARINA DEL REY IN THE PLAYA DEL REY ZONE DISTRICT. THIS CASE WAS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON MARCH 23RD, 2005. DURING THE 10-YEAR TERM OF THE PREVIOUS GRANT, THERE IS NO HISTORY OF ZONING VIOLATION FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL HAS BEEN APPEALED. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

17

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US AND WE HAVE VARIOUS PEOPLE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS US ON THIS ITEM. IF WE COULD BEGIN WITH ASKING STUART HOFFMAN TO JUST PLEASE JOIN US. ERIC CHAMSKY, IF YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE. CLARA ANDRUS AND DONALD KLEIN.

23

ERIC CHAMSKY: GOOD MORNING. ERIC CHAMSKY. I'D LIKE TO GIVE MY TIME TO RICHARD FINE.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. KLEIN?

3

4 **DONALD KLEIN:** DONALD KLEIN. I ALSO CEDE MY TIME TO RICHARD
5 FINE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND YOUR NAME AGAIN IS? DONALD KLEIN:
8 DONALD KLEIN I SAID. I HAVE CEDED MY TIME TO RICHARD FINE.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. WELL, I HAVE A DONALD KLEIN. TO
11 RICHARD FINE?

12

13 **DONALD KLEIN:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

16

17 **STUART HOFFMAN:** MY NAME IS STUART HOFMANN. I ALSO CEDE MY TIME
18 TO RICHARD FINE.

19

20 **CARLA ANDREWS:** CARLA ANDREWS AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO CEDE MY
21 TIME TO RICHARD FINE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WELL, MR. FINE, HOW LONG DO YOU
24 WANT TO SPEAK? [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PLEASE JOIN US. IS IT ALSO TRUE OF MR.
2 FERRO? ARE YOU ALSO GIVING UP YOUR TIME?

3

4 **DON FERRO:** NO.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. PLEASE JOIN US. HOW ABOUT MR. ETTER?
7 HANS ETTER?

8

9 **HANS ETTER:** I'M GIVING UP MY TIME.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DANIEL GINZBURG. JOIN US. ALL
12 RIGHT. CAROL INGRAM SEITZ. ARE YOU GIVING UP YOUR TIME, MISS
13 SEITZ? ALL RIGHT. PLEASE JOIN US. ALL RIGHT. MR. FINE. WE'LL
14 BE GENEROUS AND GIVE YOU A FEW MINUTES. PLEASE...

15

16 **RICHARD FINE:** ALL RIGHTY. I THINK THAT WE'VE HAD, LET'S SEE,
17 THAT'S FIVE PEOPLE CEDED THEIR TIME, SO IT GIVES ME FIVE
18 TIMES-- 15. THAT'S 15 MINUTES PLUS MINE, THAT'S 18 MINUTES OF
19 TIME.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, DO YOU NEED 18 MINUTES TO MAKE YOUR
22 POINTS?

23

24 **RICHARD FINE:** I BELIEVE SO. IN FACT, IF I MAY REQUEST TO BE
25 THE LAST SPEAKER...



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, SIR, WE DON'T ARRANGE THIS
3 ACCORDING TO WHAT YOUR NEEDS ARE. WHY DON'T YOU PROCEED.

4

5 **RICHARD FINE:** OKAY. I'D LIKE TO THANK THIS BOARD FOR THE
6 OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE SPEAK TO YOU. AT THE VERY FIRST THING
7 THAT I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO COMMENT THAT WE HAVE REVIEWED
8 CERTAIN CAMPAIGN REPORTS AND WE HAVE FOUND, WITH ALL DUE
9 RESPECT, THAT SUPERVISOR DANA HAS HAD BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS
10 WITH THE FANTASY YACHT COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,350, WHICH
11 SHOWS THAT THOSE PAYMENTS WERE MADE IN APPROXIMATELY 2004 AND
12 WE WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT SUPERVISOR DANA RECUSE
13 HIMSELF FROM VOTING ON THIS ISSUE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR DANA IS NOT HERE.

16

17 **RICHARD FINE:** THAT'S RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE. IT'S SUPERVISOR
18 KNABE. AND THAT IS SHOWN BY YOUR SEMIANNUAL REGIONAL REPORT,
19 WHICH I HAVE RIGHT HERE.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, PLEASE CONTINUE WITH YOUR TESTIMONY.
22 OUR LAWYERS WILL ADVISE US OF THOSE ISSUES.

23

24 **RICHARD FINE:** I KNOW. I'M JUST POINTING THIS OUT. WE ALSO
25 HAVE, WITH RESPECT TO SUPERVISOR BURKE, \$10,500 WHICH HAS BEEN



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1 GIVEN TO FANTASY YACHTS AND WE'D RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT
2 SUPERVISOR BURKE RECUSE HERSELF...

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXCUSE ME. MADAM CHAIR?

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AS LONG AS HE'S BROUGHT IT UP, ARE YOU
9 SAYING THAT THEY HAVE PAID MONEY TO THESE COMPANIES?

10

11 **RICHARD FINE:** THEY'VE PAID MONEY TO FANTASY YACHT SHOWING A
12 BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THEIR CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT? YOU MEAN THEY RENTED
15 THE YACHT FOR AN EVENT?

16

17 **RICHARD FINE:** THE RENTED THE YACHT FOR...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT. IT CERTAINLY
20 IS. MY SON JUST TOOK A COURSE IN LAW SCHOOL CALLED LAWYERING
21 AND I SUSPECT THAT'S WHAT THEY TAUGHT HIM IN LAWYERING IS HOW
22 TO MAKE THINGS-- THEY RENTED THE YACHT. THAT'S LIKE-- IT'S
23 LIKE I HAVE A BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES
24 DODGERS BECAUSE I BOUGHT A TICKET TO THEIR GAME. SO I REALLY
25 THINK IT'S-- YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING, MR. FINE, AND YOU



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1 DON'T NEED TO DO THAT TO MAKE YOUR POINT. IT'S CASTING--
2 YOU'RE ATTEMPTING TO CAST SOME KIND OF A PALL. IT'S NOT THAT
3 THEY HAVE A BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT THAT ANYBODY ELSE COULDN'T
4 HAVE AND DOESN'T HAVE WHEN THEY RENT A FACILITY. IF I HAVE A
5 BAR MITZVAH, I'M GOING TO RENT A PLACE, I HAVE A BUSINESS
6 ARRANGEMENT WITH MY SYNAGOGUE. THAT'S NOT EXACTLY WHAT YOU
7 CALL BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS, SO IT'S NOT REALLY FAIR TO CAST
8 THAT PALL AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT CLEAR, MADAM CHAIR,
9 BECAUSE IT SOUNDED TO ME, WHEN I FIRST HEARD IT, THAT, YOU
10 KNOW, MAYBE HE'S GOT AN INVESTMENT IN THE COMPANY. WELL, NO,
11 THAT'S NOT EXACTLY WHAT IT IS. HE RENTED THE DARN BOAT.

12

13 **RICHARD FINE:** WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
14 FANTASY YACHTS IS COMING BEFORE THIS PARTICULAR BOARD AND
15 ASKING FOR SOMETHING, AND IT IS OUR POSITION THAT, UNDER THE
16 ACT, THAT PARTICULAR BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT PRECLUDES THESE
17 PARTICULAR SUPERVISORS FROM VOTING ON THIS...

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR--

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, WILL YOU...

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON A SECOND. MADAM CHAIR, HANG ON A
24 SECOND. I DON'T THINK THAT'S RIGHT. I DON'T THINK THAT'S
25 RIGHT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HE IS NOT OUR LAWYER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW THAT BUT HE'S MAKING A POLITICAL
5 SPEECH AND WE OUGHT TO ENGAGE IN IT. I DON'T THINK IT'S FAIR.
6 LET ME JUST-- I DON'T THINK THAT'S RIGHT, ANY MORE THAN IF I
7 BOUGHT AN I.B.M. OR AN APPLE COMPUTER FOR MY HOUSE, WHICH IS A
8 BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT, I SUPPOSE, THAT I WOULD BE PRECLUDED
9 FROM-- I DON'T THINK YOU'RE PRECLUDED FROM VOTING ON ANYTHING
10 WHERE YOU DO ANYTHING-- WHERE YOU HAVE THE SAME KIND OF A SO-
11 CALLED ARRANGEMENT OR THAT ANY OTHER CITIZEN WOULD HAVE,
12 UNLESS YOU HAVE AN INVESTMENT IN THE COMPANY OF A CERTAIN
13 AMOUNT WHERE IT'S MATERIAL. THAT'S WHAT I'VE ALWAYS-- THAT'S
14 WHAT WE'VE ALL BEEN TOLD FOR 30 YEARS UNDER THE FAIR POLITICAL
15 PRACTICES ACT. COULD YOU SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS?

16

17 **RICHARD WEISS:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, NOTHING
18 THAT HAS BEEN TESTIFIED HERE TODAY WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOUR
19 BOARD OR ANY MEMBER IS DISQUALIFIED. YOU DON'T HAVE A
20 FINANCIAL INTEREST AS TO FIND IN STATE LAW IN THIS MATTER. A
21 PATRON OF FANTASY YACHTS PAYING REGULAR FARE LIKE ANY MEMBER
22 OF THE PUBLIC, THAT WOULD NOT DISQUALIFY YOU, AS WOULD YOUR
23 EATING IN ONE OF THE RESTAURANTS IN THE MARINA OR BUYING GAS
24 AT A GAS STATION IN THE MARINE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

2

3 **RICHARD FINE:** WE'VE RAISED THAT YOUR LAWYER'S GIVEN HIS
4 ADVICE, WE'LL GO ON. NOW, WE HAVE HERE THE APPLICATION AND
5 THIS AREA IS DESIGNATED AS RESIDENTIAL. THE STATEMENTS IN THE
6 APPLICATION ARE FALSE AND THEY'RE FALSE IN PARTICULAR WITH
7 RESPECT TO THE CLAIM THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO ADVERSE AFFECT IN
8 THIS PARTICULAR AREA. IN PARTICULAR, WHAT HAS OCCURRED, THAT
9 THERE'S BEEN ILLEGAL DUMPING OF SEWAGE, THERE'S BEEN ILLEGAL
10 WELDING, SANDING, PAINTING AND MAJOR OVERHAUL OF THE SHIPS.
11 THERE'S BEEN A BRIEF THAT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED BY MR. ETTER. I'M
12 NOT SURE IF YOU'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THAT BRIEF OR
13 NOT AT THE PRESENT TIME. BUT, IN PARTICULAR, IN THE EXHIBITS
14 TO THE BRIEF, YOU HAVE, NUMBER ONE, AN EXHIBIT C TO THE BRIEF,
15 THERE'S A CITATION OF UNAUTHORIZED SEWAGE DISPOSAL INTO
16 MANHOLE COVERS. THAT SHOWS THAT THERE'S BEEN VIOLATIONS.
17 EXHIBIT D, MR. GINZBURG STATED TO DAVID DOLPHIN ON 4/7/04 THAT
18 THE PRACTICE OF DUMPING INTO THE MANHOLE COVERS WAS A ROUTINE
19 PRACTICE AND HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE FOR NUMEROUS YEARS. MR.
20 ETTER ESTIMATES THAT APPROXIMATELY ONE MILLION GALLONS HAVE
21 BEEN ILLEGALLY DUMPED INTO MANHOLE COVERS OVER THE PAST NUMBER
22 OF YEARS. THAT'S PROBABLY SAVED FANTASY YACHTS APPROXIMATELY
23 \$600,000. THAT'S NOT COUNTING WHATEVER FEES THE COUNTY MAY
24 HAVE LOST FOR THAT DUMPING. WE HAVE, IN EXHIBIT E, ON 4/21/04,
25 THE COUNTY CAME OUT AND BOLTED THE MANHOLE COVERS SHUT. THERE



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1 WAS A PUMPING STATION OR PUMPING PERMIT THAT HAD TO TAKE PLACE
2 AND PUMPING IS NOW BEING DONE BUT THE PUMPS, AS I UNDERSTAND
3 IT FROM HAVING TALKED TO THE PERSON FROM THE COUNTY, THE PUMPS
4 WILL ONLY HOLD ABOUT 7.5 GALLONS PER MINUTE. LOOKING AT THE
5 HOLDING TANKS THAT ARE COMING FROM THE FANTASY YACHT BOATS
6 WHICH, BY THE WAY, ARE PARKED ON THIS PARTICULAR PROPERTY, IT
7 WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY SIX HOURS OF CONTINUOUS PUMPING TO
8 EMPTY JUST ONE OF THOSE BOATS. YOU HAVE THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 CALIFORNIA REGIONAL QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, WHICH HAS ASKED
10 FANTASY YACHTS TO PUT DYE IN THEIR TANKS SO THAT THEY CAN SEE
11 WHAT HAPPENS WHEN FANTASY YACHTS IS DUMPING, IF THEY'RE
12 DUMPING WITHIN THE THREE-MILE LIMIT OR DUMPING INTO THE OCEAN.
13 FANTASY YACHTS HAS NOT RESPONDED TO THAT PARTICULAR REQUEST,
14 EITHER BEFORE OR EVEN UP TO THE PRESENT TIME. EXHIBIT G, THERE
15 WAS A DEFAULT NOTICE THAT WAS GIVEN TO THE MARINA CITY CLUB
16 BECAUSE OF THE WORK ON THE REGENT C BOAT WHICH VIOLATED THE
17 LAW. WHAT THEY WERE DOING THERE IS THEY WERE SANDING DOWN THE
18 BOAT AND WHAT HAPPENED IS THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND
19 HARBORS SAID THAT THAT'S IN VIOLATION OF THE LEASE. THEY
20 DEFAULTED THE MARINA CITY CLUB ON THE LEASE FOR THAT
21 PARTICULAR VIOLATION. YOU HAVE FANTASY YACHTS OR PEOPLE VERSUS
22 GINSBERG IN CASE NUMBER 4W13802 HAS-- THAT'S A CRIMINAL
23 PROCEDURE THAT IS PRESENTLY GOING ON FOR ILLEGAL WELDING IN
24 MARINA DEL REY ON THE YACHT. CASE IS CURRENTLY PENDING. THE
25 COASTGUARD CERTIFICATION FOR ONE OF THE BOATS HAS BEEN LIFTED



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1 AND THEN SUBSEQUENTLY RETURNED FOR ILLEGAL WELDING ON THE
2 YACHT. SO YOU HAVE ALL OF THESE VIOLATIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED
3 AND YET THIS PARTICULAR APPLICANT HAS SAID TO YOU, IN HIS
4 APPLICATION, THAT NOTHING HAS HAPPENED. NOW, THIS BOAT SLIP IS
5 PART OF THIS PARTICULAR PROPERTY, SO YOU KNOW RIGHT UP FRONT
6 THAT YOU HAVE A FALSE APPLICATION. NOW, YOU HAVE THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS. IN THEIR PARTICULAR REPORT,
8 THEY HAVE ADMITTED, WHEN YOU GO THROUGH THIS REPORT, THAT ALL
9 OF THESE VARIOUS THINGS HAVE OCCURRED. YOU HAVE TO READ THE
10 REPORT CLOSELY BUT YOU FIND THAT THEY ADMIT THAT THERE WERE
11 VIOLATIONS OF DUMPING, THEY ADMIT THAT GINZBURG-- MR. GINZBURG
12 ACTUALLY DUMPED BEHIND THE SCOUT BASE. THEY SAID LATER THAT
13 THERE WAS SOME-- THAT LEGAL THINGS BEGAN TO OCCUR BUT THERE
14 WAS ILLEGAL DUMPING BEFORE. THEY ADMITTED THAT THE WELDING
15 TOOK PLACE AND THAT MR. GINZBURG WAS CITED FOR THE WELDING.
16 THEN WE TALK ABOUT WHAT THE SHERIFF FOUND OR DID NOT FIND
17 ABOUT GOING OUT WITHIN THE THREE-MILE LIMIT. AND,
18 INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, THERE IS NOTHING TO DISPUTE MR. ETTER'S
19 COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE BOATS GOING OUT AND DUMPING WITHIN THE
20 THREE-MILE LIMIT. AND, IF WE HAVE TO, AND IF THIS BOARD
21 DESIRES, I CAN PUT MR. ETTER ON THE STAND AND I CAN MAKE AN
22 OFFER OF PROOF TO YOU THAT HE WILL TESTIFY THAT, ON NOVEMBER
23 10TH, 2004, BETWEEN 8:45 AND 9:30 IN THE MORNING, THE BOAT
24 WENT OUT AND IT WENT OUT FOR LESS THAN AN HOUR AND A HALF AND
25 BASICALLY STAYED OUT THERE AND THEN CAME BACK. THERE WAS NO



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1 REASON FOR THAT BOAT TO GO OUT THERE FOR SUCH A SHORT PERIOD
2 OF TIME UNLESS IT WAS DUMPING. THE BOAT WAS TRAVELING AT
3 APPROXIMATELY SIX KNOTS. IN ORDER TO GO OUT FOR A THREE-MILE
4 LIMIT OR BEYOND THE THREE-MILE LIMIT AND DUMP, IT WOULD HAVE
5 TO HAVE BEEN OUT THERE FOR AT LEAST AN HOUR AND A HALF.
6 FURTHER, ON MAY 12TH, LESS THAN TWO WEEKS AGO, THE SHERIFF'S
7 DEPARTMENT WAS CALLED OUT AND SAW MR. GINZBURG SANDING AND
8 GRINDING THE BOAT AGAIN IN THE SLIP. THE SHERIFF DIDN'T SET
9 ANY CITATION BUT MR. GINZBURG-- MR. ETTER WAS THERE AND CAN
10 TESTIFY THAT THE SANDING AND GRINDING TOOK PLACE. SO YOU HAVE
11 THESE VIOLATIONS, NOT ONLY IN THE PAST BUT EVEN DURING THE
12 TIME THAT THIS PERMIT IS PENDING, THE VIOLATIONS ARE
13 OCCURRING. SO WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE CRITERIA THAT HAVE TO BE
14 FULFILLED, THAT, "A," THERE WEREN'T ANY PAST VIOLATIONS; "B"
15 THAT YOU CAN'T EXPECT ANY NEW VIOLATIONS TO BE OCCURRING, THAT
16 THE APPLICANT MUST HAVE COMPLIED WITH THE LAW. WHAT IS TAKING
17 PLACE IS THAT YOU KNOW THAT THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN
18 BECAUSE HE ISN'T EVEN COMPLYING WITH THE LAW AS THE
19 APPLICATION PROCESS IS GOING ON.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO BEGIN TO SUMMARIZE YOUR
22 REMARKS?

23

24 **RICHARD FINE:** OKAY. SO, IN SUMMARY, WHAT WE HAVE IS WE HAVE AN
25 APPLICANT WHO HAS MADE A FALSE APPLICATION TO YOU AS FAR AS



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1 HIS PAST CONDUCT IS CONCERNED AND YOU HAVE THE EVIDENCE THAT
2 HE IS NOT GOING TO BE COMPLYING WITH THE LAW AS FAR AS HIS
3 FUTURE CONDUCT IS CONCERNED. WE THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST
4 THAT THIS APPLICATION BE DENIED. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU, SIR.

7

8 **RICHARD FINE:** ANY QUESTIONS?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. GINZBURG? OH, I'M SORRY. MR. FERRO,
11 DON FERRO, PLEASE.

12

13 **DON FERRO:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DON FERRO, I'M A REFRIGERATOR
14 ENGINEER AND A PROFESSIONAL SAILOR. I'VE HAD A BOAT IN MARINA
15 DEL REY ON "E" BASIN, 2300 DOCK, FOR 12-- 13 YEARS, ACTUALLY
16 AND, ON LABOR DAY 2000, THE FANTASY 1, MAKING ITS ROUTINE
17 TURNAROUND, WHICH IS A TWIST IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MARINA, IN
18 128-FOOT CHANNEL WITH A 120-FOOT ON BOAT DECK, THEY MAKE THIS
19 TURN REGULARLY AND THEY WOULD WAIT UNTIL THE BOAT ACROSS FROM
20 ME WOULD LEAVE TO MAKE THIS TURN UNTIL ONE DAY, LABOR DAY,
21 2000, ANOTHER BOAT GOT IN THE WAY. IT TANGLED IN THE BOW OF
22 FANTASY 1 AND WAS DRIVEN STERN FIRST INTO MY VESSEL, BREAKING
23 RIBS IN THE SIDE OF A 1935 CLASSIC YAW AND CRUSHED IT ALONG
24 THE SIDE OF MY VESSEL ALL THE WAY TO THE END, TANGLING AGAIN
25 IN MY OWN BOW SPRIT, CAUSING MORE DAMAGE TO THE STEM. I WASN'T



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1 THERE TO WITNESS THE ACCIDENT. I WAS VACATIONING WITH MY
2 FAMILY. IT WAS LABOR DAY WEEKEND. WHEN I CAME BACK, I WAS
3 INFORMED OF THIS AND I WENT TO THE SHERIFF'S STATION AND TOLD
4 THEM THAT I WAS INFORMED THAT MY BOAT HAD BEEN HIT. THEY SAID
5 THEY WOULD NOT GIVE ME ANY INFORMATION BECAUSE I WAS NOT ON
6 THEIR REPORT. THEY SAID I HAD TO PROVE I WAS HIT. SO, AFTER
7 THAT, I WENT TO TRY TO GET PROOF BY BRINGING SOME OF THE
8 PEOPLE, THE 80 PEOPLE WHO WERE ON BOARD THE VESSEL. THERE'S
9 NUMEROUS LAWSUITS ON THAT ACCIDENT. THERE WAS OVER A HUNDRED
10 PEOPLE IN THE CITY CLUB AT THE TIME THAT SAW IT. NO ONE CAME
11 WITH ME FOR FOUR DAYS BUT THE COUNTY DECIDED-- OR THE SHERIFFS
12 DECIDED THAT, AFTER A MONTH OF ME BUGGING THEM, THAT THEY
13 WOULD FINALLY SEND SOMEBODY TO LOOK AT MY VESSEL.
14 INCIDENTALLY, I TOLD THEM I'D LIKE TO MAKE A REPORT THAT
15 SOMEONE HAD HIT MY VESSEL AND RAN AND THEY SAID I COULDN'T DO
16 THAT BECAUSE I ALREADY KNEW WHO HIT THE VESSEL. I TOLD THEM,
17 HOW COULD I KNOW? I WASN'T THERE. I WAS INFORMED BY OTHERS
18 THAT THE FANTASY 1 HAD CRUSHED ANOTHER VESSEL AGAINST THE SIDE
19 OF MY BOAT. THIS CAUSED SO MUCH DAMAGE TO ME PERSONALLY. AT MY
20 LEVEL OF INCOME, I COULDN'T AFFORD ALL THE DAMAGE. THE
21 SURVEYORS THAT WERE INVOLVED WERE TIED IN WITH MR. GINZBURG AS
22 WELL AND, IN THE END, I GAVE UP MARINA DEL REY AS MY HOME PORT
23 BUT I'M STILL INVOLVED WITH THAT COMMUNITY, WHICH I LOVE. THE
24 COMMUNITY HAS MANY, MANY GREAT PEOPLE AND MANY GOOD REASONS TO
25 BE THERE AND I STILL AM INVOLVED WITH CHARITABLE WORK AND



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1 YACHT WORK IN THAT COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, FOR
2 ALLOWING ME TO SAY THIS. IT'S FINALLY BEEN SAID. I WISH
3 SOMEBODY WOULD HAVE HEARD IT BEFORE.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

6

7 **CAROLYN SEITZ:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
8 BOARD. MY NAME IS CAROLYN INGRAM SEITZ. I'M A CONSULTANT HERE
9 THIS MORNING REPRESENTING FANTASY. I THINK, FIRST, I WOULD
10 LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE APPLICATION BEFORE YOU HAS TO DO
11 WITH FANTASY'S BANQUET FACILITY. IT HAS NOTHING WHATSOEVER TO
12 DO WITH THEIR YACHTS OR WITH ANY OF THEIR BOATING ACTIVITIES.
13 THIS APPLICATION IS FOR RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
14 THAT GOVERNS THEIR BANQUET FACILITY, WHICH IS ON THE SAME
15 PROPERTY AS THE MARINA CITY CLUB. AS YOU HEARD FROM THE
16 REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF, FROM DR. FRICANO, THE BANQUET
17 FACILITY HAS OPERATED AT THIS LOCATION FOR 10 YEARS WITHOUT
18 ANY INCIDENTS OF COMPLAINT, WITH NO HISTORY OF COMPLAINT AND
19 WITH NO HISTORY OF VIOLATIONS. IT IS A GREAT PUBLIC SERVICE,
20 IT'S UTILIZED ON A REGULAR BASIS BY PEOPLE VISITING THE MARINA
21 AND COMING HERE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS AND I WOULD ASK YOU TO
22 UPHOLD THE DECISION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON THAT BASIS.
23 THE TESTIMONY PRESENTED BY MR. FINE AND BY MR. FERRO HAS
24 NOTHING WHATSOEVER TO DO WITH THE BANQUET FACILITY. I DIDN'T
25 HEAR ANYTHING THEY SAID THAT HAD TO DO WITH THE BANQUET



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1 FACILITY. HAVING SAID THAT, I WILL ASK YOU AGAIN TO PLEASE
2 UPHOLD THE DECISION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. GINZBURG.

5

6 **DANIEL GINZBURG:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, HONORABLE MEMBERS
7 OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS DANIEL GINZBURG, I'M THE MANAGER AND
8 OWNER OF FANTASY YACHTS. OURS IS A FAMILY BUSINESS MY FATHER
9 STARTED 25 YEARS AGO. I'M THE SECOND GENERATION, TOOK OVER
10 JUST UNDER 10 YEARS AGO. WE'VE BEEN IN MARINA DEL REY FOR 25
11 YEARS, 25 YEARS OF PROMOTING THE MARINA, 25 YEARS OF TAKING
12 CARE OF OUR CUSTOMERS, TAKING CARE OF OUR EMPLOYEES, 25 YEARS
13 OF BEING A GOOD CORPORATE CITIZEN. ARE WE PERFECT? NO.
14 EVERYTHING YOU HEARD, THOUGH, THIS MORNING, EITHER HAS TO DO
15 WITH OUR YACHTS AND, AS MISS SEITZ, HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OUR
16 BANQUET FACILITY AND WAS ALMOST WAS COMPLETELY WRONG. THERE
17 WASN'T ANYTHING SAID THAT WAS CORRECT. IT WAS AS IF I WAS VERY
18 ARTICULATELY ARGUING THAT TODAY IS FRIDAY. TODAY ISN'T FRIDAY.
19 AND NO MATTER HOW MUCH I TRY AND PULL DIFFERENT CALENDARS AND
20 DIFFERENT SCENARIOS AND DIFFERENT ANGLES TO MAKE AN ARGUMENT
21 THAT IT'S FRIDAY, IT'S STILL TUESDAY. VERY LITTLE OF WHAT WAS
22 TOLD TODAY IS TRUE AND WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO RESPOND TO THIS
23 FOR YEARS AND, CANDIDLY, IT'S JUST NOT FAIR. THANK YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. GINZBURG. THAT CONCLUDES
2 THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY. MR. KNABE, YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WE HAVE, YOU KNOW, HEARD FROM THE PLANNING
5 COMMISSION, PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHERS, SO I WOULD MOVE WE CLOSE
6 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOVE THE ITEM. AND UPHOLD THE PLANNING
7 COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT WE NEED. ALL RIGHT.
10 IS THERE ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A QUESTION. DID THEIR CONDITIONAL USE
13 PERMIT EXPIRE? IS THAT WHY-- IS THIS A NEW PERMIT? WHY IS THIS
14 HERE?

15

16 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** YES. THIS IS TO CONTINUE THE OPERATION OF
17 THEIR BANQUET FACILITY.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DO THEY NEED A PERMIT TO CONTINUE IT?

20

21 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** THEY ARE SELLING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND THEY
22 ARE LOCATED IN A WATER OVERLAY ZONE...

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND BUT THEY'VE BEEN DOING THAT UP
25 UNTIL NOW, HAVE THEY NOT?



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2 **RICHARD WEISS:** THE EXISTING C.U.P. EXPIRES THIS YEAR.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I SEE. SO HOW LONG WILL THE C.U.P. BE FOR?

5 >RICHARD WEISS: I BELIEVE THE RECOMMENDATION IS 20 YEARS ON
6 THIS ONE.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
9 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
10 ORDERED. THANK YOU SO MUCH. WE NOW HAVE OUR SET ITEM, IF I
11 COULD ASK...

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT S-1?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** S-1. IF I COULD ASK DR. GARTHWAITE TO JOIN
16 US AND I DON'T KNOW IF MISS ROBERTSON IS HERE BUT IF SHE'D
17 JOIN US, TOO, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

18

19 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** SUPERVISORS, I'M HERE TO GIVE AN UPDATE
20 ON ACTIONS AND PROGRESS AT KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER. THIS LAST
21 WEEK CONTINUED TO BE A BUSY WEEK, AS I THINK ALL OF THEM HAVE
22 BEEN. WE HAVE CONTINUED OUR PLANNING EFFORTS WITH COMMUNITY
23 INVOLVEMENT. A SECOND MEETING WAS HELD ON MONDAY WITH
24 NAVIGANT, DREW, THE DEPARTMENT, HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD
25 MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM VARIOUS COMMUNITY



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1 ORGANIZATIONS. THAT INFORMATION IS BEING USED TO PROVIDE--
2 WILL BE USED IN THE EFFORTS TO PROVIDE YOU WITH DECISION-
3 MAKING MATERIAL THIS AUGUST. MADE ROUNDS IN HOSPITAL AGAIN. I
4 THINK THE OUTSTANDING FINDING FOR ME WAS THE NATURE OF THE
5 SURGERY CLINIC AND THE ENTHUSIASM OF THE STAFF THERE FOR THE
6 NEW ELIMINATION OF BLOCK SCHEDULING AND THE AVAILABILITY OF
7 THE CLINIC CHARTS. WE'VE HAD A COMPLETE REDO IN OUR MEDICAL
8 RECORDS DEPARTMENT AND THEIR ABILITY TO GET CHARTS HAS
9 IMPROVED DRAMATICALLY AND THAT'S MADE FOR CERTAINLY MUCH
10 BETTER CARE AND MUCH BETTER EFFICIENCY IN THE OUTPATIENT
11 SETTING. I FINALLY MADE IT TO THE BASEMENT AND HAVE GONE
12 THROUGH INPATIENT PHARMACY THERE. IT'S AN AREA OF SIGNIFICANT
13 SPACE CONSTRAINT AND POOR LAYOUT AND THAT'S PREVIOUSLY BEEN
14 IDENTIFIED BY NAVIGANT, AND THERE ARE PLANS AND THINGS UNDER
15 WAY TO TRY TO IMPROVE THAT. WE HAD OUR FIRST MEETING OF THE AD
16 HOC STEERING COMMITTEE, WHICH IS A SUBGROUP OF THE HOSPITAL
17 ADVISORY BOARD. THIS AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE PLANS TO MEET
18 EVERY WEEK AND GO OVER KEY ISSUES. SOME OF THE KEY ISSUES THIS
19 WEEK INCLUDED VARIOUS PHYSICIAN AND OTHER MORALE ISSUES,
20 TIMECARD ISSUES, AS WELL AS QUALITY OF CARE ISSUES. I THINK,
21 WITH THAT, I'LL SEE IF KAE IS READY FOR HER PORTION.

22

23 **KAE ROBERTSON:** CERTAINLY. IN TERMS OF THE NAVIGANT PORTION OF
24 THE REPORT, WE'RE CONTINUING TO WORK ON SOME OF THE SAFETY
25 ISSUES AND IT APPEARS, AT THIS POINT, THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE



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1 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM JUNE HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED OR THE
2 EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN ORDERED TO IMPLEMENT THEM AND THEN WE WILL
3 CONDUCT SOME AUDITS ON A REGULAR BASIS GOING FORWARD. THERE
4 WAS ONE DEATH THAT'S BEEN SENT FOR ADDITIONAL REVIEW AND IF
5 THERE'S ANYTHING THAT COMES OUT FROM THAT, IT WILL BE UNDER
6 PEER REVIEW AND 1157 PROTECTION REPORTED BACK TO THE BOARD. IN
7 TERMS OF THE QUALITY TURNAROUND, I THINK DR. GARTHWAITE HAS
8 ALREADY MENTIONED THAT THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE HAS MET,
9 THEY HAVE A SECOND MEETING WEDNESDAY. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
10 MEETS THIS AFTERNOON AND THE QUALITY COMMITTEE IS MEETING ON
11 FRIDAY. IN TERMS OF PHYSICIANS, THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT
12 PHYSICIANS HAVE HAD SOME RESIGNATIONS, AS YOU KNOW, RECENTLY
13 AND WE'RE WORKING ON IMPROVING STAFFING THERE AND THERE ARE
14 SOME STEPS AND ISSUES RELATIVE TO RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
15 THAT WE WILL BE WORKING THROUGH WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE.
16 COVERAGE FOR RADIOLOGY SERVICES IS IMPROVING. THE NIGHT HAWK,
17 AS YOU KNOW, CONTRACT IS IN PLACE AND THERE ARE TWO ADDITIONAL
18 CONTRACTORS THAT WE ARE WORKING ON GETTING SOME CONTRACTS
19 WITH. AND THEN, FOR NUCLEAR MEDICINE, WE ARE WORKING THROUGH
20 TEMPORARY PRIVILEGING AND CONTRACT AND HOPE TO HAVE THAT BACK
21 UP AND RUNNING AT THE HOSPITAL NEXT WEEK BUT, IN THE MEANTIME,
22 HAVE BEEN USING HARBOR. IN TERMS OF NURSING, THE PEDIATRIC
23 INTENSIVE CARE UNIT: WE'RE WORKING ON PROVIDING SUFFICIENT
24 COUNTY KING DREW STAFF TO BE ABLE TO ACCEPT NEW ADMISSIONS AND
25 TO PERHAPS PROVIDE SOME TRAINING TO EXISTING PEDIATRIC STAFF



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1 FOR INTENSIVE CARE TRAINING SO THAT MAYBE THEY WOULD BE ABLE
2 TO PROVIDE THAT SERVICE AND THE HUMAN RESOURCE REPORT WAS
3 INCLUDED. OTHER THAN THAT, WE'VE MADE A COUPLE OF
4 PRESENTATIONS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS. ONE WAS SPECIFICALLY
5 FOCUSED ON EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT AND THE OTHER WAS TO PROVIDE
6 AN UPDATE ON THE QUALITY TURNAROUND PLAN JOINT COMMISSION
7 ACCREDITATION EFFORTS AND THE STATUS OF THE EXECUTIVE
8 RECRUITMENT AND NURSING RECRUITMENT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT COMPLETES THE REPORT?

11

12 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THAT COMPLETES THE REPORT.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH, QUESTIONS?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LAST WEEK, THERE WERE SOME QUESTIONS RAISED,
17 WE ASKED FOR REPORTS ON THE KING DREW PHARMACY DEPARTMENT. WE
18 HAVEN'T RECEIVED THOSE YET.

19

20 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE PHARMACY REPORT, I THINK, IS IN DRAFT BUT,
21 BASICALLY, WE'RE MOVING ALL OUTPATIENT PHARMACY AND THAT IS IN
22 PROGRESS AND IT'S STILL-- I THINK WE'RE WAITING FOR STATE
23 APPROVAL OF THE-- OSHPO APPROVAL OF THE COMPONENT OF SPACE IN
24 THE TRAUMA BUILDING THAT WE WANT TO USE.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ABOUT THE ISSUE OF SECURITY AND
2 INVENTORY OF THOSE MEDICATIONS AND THE DISPENSING OF THE
3 APPROPRIATE DOSAGE TO THE PATIENT?

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE'VE TURNED THE CAMERAS ON FOR INVENTORY
6 SECURITY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THOSE ARE BEING CORRECTED OR ARE
9 CORRECTED?

10

11 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE CAMERAS ARE ON, YES.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN WE ALSO REQUESTED THE INFORMATION
14 RELATIVE TO THE DREW UNIVERSITY RESIDENTS' PASS/FAIL
15 EXAMINATIONS. WHEN IS THAT GOING TO BE PROVIDED?

16

17 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I TALKED TO BRUCE CHERNOF THIS MORNING.
18 I BELIEVE WE HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION. WE JUST GOT IT AND WE
19 CAN PROVIDE THAT SOON-- SHORTLY, CERTAINLY BY NEXT WEEK. WE
20 HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION NOW.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN HOW MANY CANDIDATES HAVE YOU INTERVIEWED
23 FOR THE KING DREW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION?

24



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1 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE-- THERE ARE FOUR CANDIDATES AND THE FIRST
2 STEP IS FOR THE SEARCH FIRM TO DO THE REVIEW AND IT LOOKS LIKE
3 THERE WILL PROBABLY BE TWO OF THOSE CANDIDATES MOVING FORWARD
4 FOR THE PANEL AND THE PANEL IS BEING SET UP IN THE NEXT WEEK
5 OR SO.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT IS YOUR TIME LINE?

8

9 **KAE ROBERTSON:** FOR INTERVIEW? WITHIN TWO WEEKS FOR THE FIRST
10 INTERVIEW.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN YOUR REPORT, YOU INDICATED YOU HAD
13 INFORMATION OR YOU WERE DISCUSSING INFORMATION ON THE
14 GOVERNANCE WITH THE ROSE COUNTY INCORPORATION.

15

16 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** ONLY THAT THEY CAME TO US WITH THEIR
17 REPORT TO COMMENT ON THE ACCURACY OF WHAT THEY'VE BEEN DOING,
18 SO WE PROVIDED THAT FEEDBACK.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ARE SOME OF THE CONCERNS OF THE KING
21 DREW'S DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY PRACTICE AND HOW IS THAT RELATED
22 TO THE PERMANENT APPOINTMENT AT THE HOSPITAL?

23

24 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I'M SORRY? THE FIRST PART OF THAT
25 WAS...



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOME OF THE CONCERNS OF THE KING DREW'S
3 DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY PRACTICE.

4

5 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I THINK THE-- THEY HAVE SEVERAL
6 CONCERNS ABOUT ROTATIONS AND THE NEED FOR PSYCHOLOGY OR
7 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMPONENT TO THE RESIDENCY. THEY'RE
8 CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR ABILITY TO INFLUENCE THE CLINIC
9 OPERATIONS WHICH THEY BELIEVE IS IMPORTANT. I THINK, MOST
10 IMPORTANTLY, THEY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR ABILITY TO WORK
11 WITH THE MANAGEMENT-- OF OUTPATIENT MANAGEMENT, ESPECIALLY AS
12 IT RELATES TO HUBERT HUMPHREY. I THINK WE'RE CLOSING IN ON
13 HIRING A HEAD-- A DIRECTOR FOR AMBULATORY CARE.

14

15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** AND SO THE INTERVIEWS HAVE BEEN DONE. I
18 THINK WE'RE CLOSE TO MAKING THAT OFFER.

19

20 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE INTERVIEWS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND THERE'S
21 A VERY GOOD CANDIDATE THAT WE'RE WORKING THROUGH.

22

23 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I THINK WE'RE ALL VERY PLEASED WITH THE
24 CANDIDATE WHO WE'RE LOOKING AT AND THAT, I THINK, CAN BE DONE
25 WITHIN THE WEEK. THAT SHOULD, I THINK, MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE



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1 IN TERMS OF THE COMMUNICATION AND WORKING THROUGH ISSUES WITH
2 THE LEADERSHIP IN AMBULATORY CARE AND THE FAMILY PRACTICE
3 RESIDENCY PROGRAM.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE REPORT THAT STATES THAT TELERADIOLOGY
6 OPTIONS ARE STILL BEING PURSUED BUT I THOUGHT, LAST WEEK, THE
7 BOARD HAD APPROVED A CONTRACT WITH RAD IMAGE.

8

9 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE ARE USING THE CONTRACT YOU'VE APPROVED
10 ALREADY. WE'RE LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL OPTIONS THAT WOULD GIVE
11 US FINAL READS. THE SERVICE WE HAVE GIVES US PRELIMINARY READS
12 AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR SOME OTHER SERVICES THAT WOULD GIVE US
13 FINAL READS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LAST WEEK, YOU CLOSED THE PERINATAL INTENSIVE
16 CARE UNIT. ARE YOU CONSIDERING THE-- ELIMINATING THE PEDIATRIC
17 INTENSIVE CARE UNIT, AS RECOMMENDED BY NAVIGANT?

18

19 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WELL, WE, LAST WEEK, CLOSED THE PEDIATRIC
20 INTENSIVE CARE UNIT, NOT THE NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT. TWO
21 NEW ADMISSIONS AND WE WERE DOWN TO HAVING TWO FULL-TIME COUNTY
22 STAFF AND WE ARE LOOKING TO REPLACE THOSE STAFF SO WE WILL BE
23 ABLE TO ACCEPT NEW ADMISSIONS INTO THE PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE
24 CARE UNIT. I THINK IT WOULD BE BEYOND THE SCOPE OF US TO CLOSE



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1 THE SERVICE. I THINK THAT THAT'S GOING TO REQUIRE BROADER
2 DISCUSSION AND ANY HEARINGS THAT MIGHT BE REQUIRED.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN YOUR REPORT OF JANUARY 3RD, YOU INDICATED
5 THAT REGISTRY HOURS, AS A PERCENT OF PRODUCTIVE HOURS, HAS
6 DOUBLED AND THAT MANAGEMENT NEEDED ADDITIONAL TRAINING FOR
7 PRODUCTIVITY MONITORING. IS THAT BEING DONE?

8

9 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE MANAGEMENT PRODUCTIVITY TRAINING IS
10 SCHEDULED FOR THIS SUMMER. THE PRIMARY FOCUS RIGHT NOW IS ON
11 HAVING EVERYONE PREPARED FOR JOINT COMMISSION ACCREDITATION,
12 WHICH WE EXPECT TO HAVE SOME SURVEYS DONE IN JULY AND FOR THE
13 STATE SURVEY, WHICH WE WOULD EXPECT TO HAVE DONE IN AUGUST.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE WE INSTITUTING THE METHOD OF PAYCHECK
16 INSERTS THAT YOU HAD RECOMMENDED?

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE HAVE USED PAYCHECK INSERTS FOR COMMUNICATION
19 FOR NEW INFORMATION AS WE'VE BEEN THERE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THAT'S BEING DONE NOW?

22

23 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES, AND WE'VE ALSO-- THE OTHER THING I THINK
24 WE RECOMMENDED WAS AN EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER FOR COMMUNICATION



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1 AND THAT HAS BEEN INSTITUTED. WE ALSO RECOMMENDED MONTHLY
2 DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETINGS AND WE'VE INSTITUTED THOSE AS WELL.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT ABOUT THE-- YOU INDICATED THERE HAD
5 TO BE A SIGNIFICANT NEED FOR A DEDICATED AMBULATORY SURGICAL
6 CAPABILITY AT THE MEDICAL CENTER.

7

8 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO PURSUE THE DEDICATED
9 AMBULATORY SURGERY CAPABILITY BECAUSE WE'RE WORKING THROUGH
10 THE RENOVATIONS FOR THE EXISTING OPERATING ROOMS, WHICH IS
11 GOING TO CAUSE US TO NEED TO USE THE TRAUMA CENTER'S OPERATING
12 ROOMS WHILE WE DO THE RENOVATION, GO THROUGH THE RENOVATION
13 FOR THE MAIN OPERATING ROOMS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ABOUT THE PATIENTS THAT ARE THERE NOW?

16

17 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE PATIENTS ARE USING...

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THERE PATIENTS THAT ARE BEING IMPACTED
20 NOW BY NOT HAVING THAT DONE?

21

22 **KAE ROBERTSON:** BY NOT HAVING A STANDALONE AMBULATORY CENTER
23 FOR SURGERY?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.



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2 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE-- THE SPACE THAT WE WANTED TO USE WAS IN THE
3 TRAUMA BUILDING AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO USE THAT
4 SPACE BECAUSE OF THE RENOVATION TO THE MAIN O.R.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU INDICATED THAT THERE'S A LACK OF
7 ACCOUNTABILITY OF MEDICAL STAFF DEPARTMENT CHAIRS FOR
8 INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE PHYSICIAN PERFORMANCE. HOW HAS THAT
9 BEEN ADDRESSED?

10

11 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YOU KNOW, WE'RE WORKING ON THAT, AS YOU'VE
12 SEEN, IN TERMS OF ISSUES AROUND SCHEDULES, TIMECARDS, CALL
13 SCHEDULE, PEOPLE SHOWING UP FOR CODES, A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT,
14 FIRST OF ALL, TRAINING SESSIONS, MEMO COMMUNICATIONS AND THEN
15 AUDITS THAT WE'VE BEEN CONDUCTING.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I BELIEVE IT WAS DR. ANDERSON OR DR. TATE,
18 YOU HAD INDICATED-- DR. GARTHWAITE INDICATED THAT THERE HAD
19 BEEN SIX ADMINISTRATORS WHO HAD SIGNED OFF ON HIS TIME SHEET,
20 WHICH INDICATED EXCESSIVE FUNDING APPROPRIATIONS OR TIME ON
21 THE JOB WHEN HE WASN'T THERE. HOW DO YOU-- WHAT IS BEING DONE
22 TO-- OR, LET'S SAY, DO WE STILL HAVE SIX PEOPLE SIGNING OFF
23 AND WHAT ARE THEY ASKING FOR PRIOR TO THEIR SIGNING OFF ON
24 THEIR TIMECARDS?

25



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1 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE
2 INSTITUTED, I THINK STARTING LAST WEEK, IS TO SIT DOWN WITH
3 THE PHYSICIANS TO DISCUSS THE-- ALL THE RULES SURROUNDING
4 TIMECARDS. THERE'S SIGNIFICANTLY MORE CONFUSION THAN THERE
5 SHOULD BE, AND SO THAT'S ABSOLUTELY A CRITICAL FIRST STEP.
6 AFTER THAT, WE'RE ALSO REVIEWING THE CONTRACTING PROVISION:
7 WHO SIGNS OFF AND WHAT THEIR SIGNATURE MEANS WITH EACH
8 INDIVIDUAL THAT DOES THAT SIGNING OFF.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU INDICATED-- NAVIGANT INDICATED THAT THERE
11 NEEDS TO BE ESTABLISHED A QUALITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. THAT
12 CURRENTLY WHAT YOU HAD WAS TOO LARGE AT 50 AND YOU'RE
13 RECOMMENDING THAT IT BE REDUCED TO 15 MEMBERS. WHAT IS THE
14 STATUS?

15

16 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE ARE INSTITUTING THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD
17 QUALITY COMMITTEE. THEIR FIRST MEETING IS THIS FRIDAY. THEY'RE
18 REVIEWING THE PROPOSED QUALITY COMMITTEE REPORTING STRUCTURE
19 OF THE HOSPITAL AND THE MEDICAL STAFF.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IN YOUR-- THAT SAME EXECUTIVE SUMMARY,
22 YOU INDICATED THAT THE MEDICAL STAFF'S CREDENTIALING
23 PRIVILEGING AND REAPPOINTMENT PROCESS HAS NOT RESULTED IN A
24 COMPREHENSIVE OBJECTIVE ASSESSMENT. HAS THAT BEEN CHANGED?

25



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1 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES. ONE OF THE DELIVERABLES WAS TO REVISE THE
2 CREDENTIALING FILES AND PROCESS. WE'VE DEVELOPED A DATABASE,
3 WE'VE-- ACTUALLY, THERE'S BEEN ONE PERSON FROM THE MEDICAL
4 STAFF OFFICE WHO WAS REMOVED BECAUSE THAT CREDENTIALING
5 COMPONENT, NOT FOR THE PHYSICIANS BUT FOR ALLIED HEALTH,
6 WASN'T BEING DONE ACCURATELY AND THOSE CHANGES HAVE BEEN PUT
7 IN PLACE TO HAVE ACCURATE CREDENTIALING AND A DATABASE THAT IS
8 UP TO DATE AND CAN BE MAINTAINED.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE MENTAL HEALTH UNITS, ALL OF THE
11 POTENTIAL SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY ISSUES IN PATIENT ROOMS
12 HAVE BEEN CORRECTED?

13

14 **KAE ROBERTSON:** NO. WE'RE STILL WAITING FOR THE RENOVATION TO
15 OCCUR.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS CAUSING THE DELAY FOR THE
18 RENOVATIONS?

19

20 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I'M NOT SURE I HAVE THE ANSWER TO THAT
21 QUESTION.

22

23 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WHEN I FIRST WENT TO KING, MAKING
24 ROUNDS, I DISCOVERED THAT THE ONE AREA THAT WAS BEING
25 RENOVATED I THOUGHT WAS BEING DELAYED BUT I WENT BACK AND



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1 ASKED QUESTIONS AND I THINK THERE WERE JUST-- THERE WERE A
2 SERIES OF ADDITIONAL SIGN-OFFS AND DESIGN CHANGES AND OTHER
3 THINGS THAT NEEDED TO BE DONE AND WAS ASSURED THAT IT WAS
4 STILL ON SCHEDULE. IF I REMEMBER, I SHOULD BE DONE IN THE NEXT
5 MONTH OR LESS.

6

7 **KAE ROBERTSON:** IT'S A PROCESS BUT IT'S NOT FINISHED.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD YOU GIVE US THE SCHEDULE, WHAT IS BEING
10 DONE, AN UPDATE AND WHAT ANY TYPE OF IMPEDIMENTS ARE
11 PREVENTING IT FROM BEING EXPEDITED? BECAUSE SOME OF THOSE WERE
12 QUITE SEVERE. YOU INDICATED THAT AN ASSOCIATE MEDICAL DIRECTOR
13 OUGHT TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR A NUMBER OF CHANGES, IN
14 U.M./C.R.M. AND PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE
15 CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR. HAVE THOSE CHANGES
16 BEEN MADE?

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES, THEY HAVE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT'S NO LONGER A PROBLEM?

21

22 **KAE ROBERTSON:** AND WE'RE RECRUITING-- THE PERSON ACTUALLY
23 FULFILLING THAT RESPONSIBILITY IS A NAVIGANT PERSON AT THE
24 MOMENT, SO WE ARE RECRUITING A FULL-TIME REPLACEMENT THAT
25 WOULD BE A PERMANENT KING DREW AND COUNTY EMPLOYEE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAD INDICATED IN THE REPORT THAT THERE'S
3 NO LINK FOR ENSURING THAT PEER REVIEW RISK MANAGEMENT OR
4 QUALITY INFORMATION IS INCLUDED IN CREDENTIALING REVIEWS. HAS
5 THAT BEEN CORRECTED?

6

7 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THAT HAS BEEN CORRECTED IN THE CREDENTIALS
8 FILES AND WE'VE ALSO REQUESTED SOME OUTSIDE PEER REVIEW OF
9 CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS AND CASES WHICH I THINK THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 HEALTH IS WORKING ON CONTRACTING FOR AT THE MOMENT. WE DO NEED
11 SOME OUTSIDE PEER REVIEW IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT ALL THE CASES
12 GET A THOROUGH REVIEW.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN NURSING, YOU INDICATED THERE'S NO CLEARLY
15 ARTICULATED MODEL OF NURSING CARE LEADING TO THE ROLE OF
16 CONFUSION AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES.

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE HAVE CLARIFIED THE NURSE PRACTICE ACT IN
19 CALIFORNIA WITH ALL THE NURSES THEN HAVE GONE TO A, BASICALLY,
20 A PRIMARY-TYPE NURSING MODEL. IT'S A LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN
21 THAT BUT IT'S SIMILAR TO THAT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUES RELATIVE TO PATIENT SAFETY
24 WITH CODE BLUE, CODE 9, D.N.R., D.N.I., PATIENT IDENTIFIERS



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1 FOR ALLERGIES, FAILED RISK AND AVAILABILITY OF TRANSLATORS,
2 HAS THAT ALL BEEN CORRECTED?

3

4 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE CORRECTIONS HAVE OCCURRED FOR CODE 9 AND
5 CODE BLUE. THEY'RE IN PROCESS FOR D.N.R./D.N.I., ALLERGIES AND
6 IDENTIFIERS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WILL THAT BE...

9

10 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I DON'T HAVE THE SCHEDULE IN FRONT OF ME. I
11 KNOW THAT THOSE ARE IN PROCESS. I DON'T REMEMBER THE DATES
12 THAT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE DUE. BUT I'LL CHECK.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE PSYCHIATRY AREA DEALING WITH THE
15 MENTAL HEALTH, WHERE IT INDICATED ELECTRICAL OVER BED
16 LIGHTS...

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THAT'S ALL PART OF THE RENOVATION.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S STILL BEING DELAYED UNTIL THE
21 RENOVATIONS ARE...?

22

23 **KAE ROBERTSON:** IT'S ONGOING AS PART OF THE RENOVATION, WHICH
24 IS IN PROGRESS.

25



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1 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I'M TOLD WE EXPECTING A MEMO FROM
2 PUBLIC WORKS TO COME TO THE BOARD IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUE OF SURGICAL TEAMS, ARE THEY NOW
5 PREPARED, PRIOR TO THE PATIENT ENTERING THE SURGICAL ROOM, ON-
6 TIME STARTS?

7

8 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YEAH, WE ALTERED THE POLICY AND WE WE WILL NOT
9 BRING THE PATIENT INTO THE ROOM UNTIL THE SURGEON AND THE
10 SURGICAL TEAM IS IN PLACE, IN THE ROOM. NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO
11 CALL IN AND SAY, "I'M ON THE ROAD, I'M ALMOST THERE, TAKE THE
12 PATIENT IN." SO THAT POLICY HAS BEEN CHANGED AND IS BEING
13 MONITORED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUES THAT HAD BEEN-- PROTOCOLS THAT
16 HAD NOT BEEN FOLLOWED RELATIVE TO STERILE FIELD MAINTENANCE,
17 I'M TALKING ABOUT THE OPERATING ROOM, BASIC OPERATING ROOM
18 PRINCIPLES ARE WEARING SURGICAL MASK, INSTRUMENT SPONGE AND
19 SHARP COUNTS, SITE VERIFICATION, HAS THAT ALL BEEN CORRECTED?

20

21 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE TRAINING HAS BEEN DONE, THE MONITORING IS
22 ONGOING. I THINK THERE HAVE BEEN IMPROVEMENTS, VAST
23 IMPROVEMENTS IN INFECTION CONTROL PROCESSES AND WE HAVE
24 INFECTION CONTROL MONITORING GOING ON FOR MASK AND STERILE
25 INSTRUMENT PROCESSING.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE ABANDONED SINKS AND UTILITIES IN THE
3 OPERATING ROOMS ARE HOW COVERED OR HAVE BEEN REMOVED?

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE WHAT?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ABANDONED SINK AND UTILITIES?

8

9 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY'VE NOW BEEN COVERED OR REMOVED?

12

13 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ONE HAD, WAS IT ACID THAT HAD ROTTED OUT
16 THE PIPE?

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I THINK THAT'S PART OF WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE
19 HEARING ON THE 31ST AS PART OF THE BUDGET ISSUES.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WHAT HAPPENS IN THE MEANTIME WHEN PEOPLE
22 NEED SURGERY? ARE THEY NOT-- HAVE YOU CLOSED SOME OF THE
23 SURGICAL ROOMS?

24



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1 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE'VE CLOSED ONE SURGICAL ROOM. WE'RE USING
2 ONLY FIVE ROOMS AT THE MOMENT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAD SOME
7 QUESTIONS?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NOT OF HIM.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'RE TAKING THESE ITEMS TOGETHER.
12 DO YOU HAVE SOME QUESTIONS?

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, IT'S BOTH TOGETHER. S-1 AND 27-D.
17 MISS BURKE?

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS. FIRST OF ALL, THOUGH,
20 BEFORE I ASK THEM, I KNOW THAT YOU MET WITH SOME OF THE
21 COMMUNITY PEOPLE, KAE?

22

23 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES, I DID.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THERE HAD BEEN A RUMOR THAT WELL HAD LEFT AND
2 THAT WAS SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY THERE. WERE YOU ABLE
3 TO GET THAT CLARIFIED?

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** NOBODY ASKED THAT QUESTION, SO I DIDN'T CLARIFY
6 IT. HANK HAS NOT LEFT. HANK IS ON VACATION THIS WEEK, WHICH IS
7 WHY HE ASKED ME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY MEETING ON
8 SATURDAY. HE DID PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY MEETING ON
9 THURSDAY EVENING.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. SO THEY KNOW THAT HE IS STILL THERE?

12

13 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I DON'T KNOW WHO WAS AT WHICH MEETING BUT HE
14 WAS AT THE THURSDAY EVENING COMMUNITY MEETING.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT
17 HAS LOST SEVERAL DOCTORS.

18

19 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** AND, AT THE SAME TIME, THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE
22 COMING INTO THE EMERGENCY ROOM, THAT THE VISITS HAVE GONE UP,
23 AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE REASON FOR THAT IS UNLESS IT'S
24 SUMMER, YOU HAVE HIGHER VISITS?

25



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1 **KAE ROBERTSON:** JULY IS USUALLY-- I'VE GONE THROUGH THE
2 ANALYSIS. JULY HAS TYPICALLY BEEN, IN YEAR OVER YEAR, THE
3 HIGHER MONTH. WE HAVE LOST E.D. PHYSICIANS, AND I THINK THERE
4 WAS A REQUEST A WHILE AGO FOR SOME CONTRACTORS TO BE APPROVED
5 AND THEY SINCE ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE TO US, SO WE'RE LOOKING
6 FOR NEW PEOPLE TO FILL THOSE SLOTS.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** SO YOU'RE LOOKING FOR CONTRACT DOCTORS. NOW, THE
9 OTHER THING THAT I WAS INFORMED IS THAT THE RATE THAT WE PAY
10 CONTRACT DOCTORS IS LOWER AND THE HOURS THAT ARE EXPECTED. FOR
11 INSTANCE, AT KAISER, THAT, AT KAISER, THE HOURS THAT-- THEY
12 WORK 36 HOURS BUT, AT OUR FACILITIES, THEY WORK 56 HOURS. IS
13 THAT REALLY CORRECT?

14

15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE CONTRACTORS AT KAISER-- WE'RE HAVING A
16 SURVEY DONE BUT, ACCORDING TO WHAT WE'VE HEARD, THEY DO
17 RECEIVE AN HOURLY RATE THAT'S HIGHER THAN THAT FOR OUR
18 CONTRACTORS. HOWEVER, OUR CONTRACTORS, ALTHOUGH THEY WORK
19 EIGHT-HOUR SHIFTS A WEEK, DO NOT WORK 56 HOURS A WEEK. IT'S MY
20 UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY HAVE EDUCATIONAL AND ACADEMIC TIME AND
21 THAT, IN A MONTH, THEY WORK LESS THAN 20 SHIFTS.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THAT ACTUALLY THE TIME IS COMPARABLE THAT THEY
24 WOULD HAVE TO WORK AT KAISER? I WONDER WHY SOME OF THEM ARE
25 GOING TO KAISER.



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2 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I THINK THAT WE WOULD-- I THINK, AND I DON'T
3 WANT TO SPEAK FOR TOM, I THINK WE WILL BE MORE PREPARED TO
4 ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS-- BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHAT KAISER DOES
5 SPECIFICALLY, I THINK WE WOULD BE MORE PREPARED TO ANSWER
6 THOSE REQUESTS NEXT WEEK.

7

8 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, WE'RE STILL ACCUMULATING DATA AND
9 HAVE THIS SCHEDULED FOR A FOLLOW-UP ON THE STEERING COMMITTEE.
10 ALSO, WE'LL HAVE SOME OUTSIDE HEALTH EXPERTS TO HELP WEIGH IN
11 ON THIS ISSUE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** SOME OF THE OTHER EMERGENCY ROOM PHYSICIANS HAVE
14 GIVEN AN INDICATION, YOU KNOW, OF COURSE, OBVIOUSLY, THEY'RE
15 TRYING TO TAKE SOME OF THEM, AND THAT THEY ARE PAYING MORE
16 MONEY AND THAT WE'RE NOT COMPETITIVE. SOME ARE GOING, I GUESS,
17 TO KAISER BUT SOME ARE GOING TO OTHER EMERGENCY ROOMS. AND SO
18 WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS YOU'RE LOOKING AT THIS AND YOU'RE TRYING
19 TO ADDRESS IT IN SOME APPROPRIATE WAY SO THAT YOU CAN BE
20 APPROP-- COMPETITIVE.

21

22 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE HAVE TALKED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
23 SERVICES. THERE IS ROOM FOR CHANGING THE RATES. WE'VE ASKED
24 FOR A SURVEY OF WHAT OTHER FACILITIES ARE PAYING AND THAT,
25 THEN, WE'D BE ABLE TO MAKE CHANGES IF PROVED OUT.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** DOES THAT HAVE TO COME BACK TO US OR CAN YOU DO
3 THAT ON YOUR OWN?

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THE CONTRACT, AND,
6 TOM, YOU KNOW THIS MORE THAN I DO BUT MY UNDERSTANDING IS THE
7 CONTRACT WOULD ALLOW US TO BE ABLE TO BRING THEIR RATE UP TO
8 AN AMOUNT THAT APPEARS COMPETITIVE, FROM WHAT THEY'VE TOLD US
9 BUT NOT-- WE DON'T HAVE THE FACTUAL INFORMATION FROM, YOU
10 KNOW, AN HOURLY SALARY SURVEY BACK YET.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** ONE OF THE OTHER ISSUES I WONDERED ABOUT EMERGENCY
13 ROOM IS DO YOU HAVE ADEQUATE PHYSICIANS NOW TO SUPERVISE THE
14 RESIDENTS? HOW MANY RESIDENTS DO YOU HAVE IN EMERGENCY?

15

16 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THERE ARE 36 RESIDENTS. THEY ARE NOT ALL IN THE
17 EMERGENCY ROOM AT ONCE; THEY ARE ON DIFFERENT ROTATIONS IN
18 ORDER...

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** DO YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT ATTENDING TO TAKE CARE OF
21 THEM?

22

23 **KAE ROBERTSON:** IN ORDER TO MEET A.C.G.M.E. REQUIREMENTS, WE
24 WOULD NEED 13 SOMETHING FACULTY AND WE ACTUALLY HAVE LESS THAN
25 THAT RIGHT NOW.



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2 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I THINK, UNTIL THE LAST ONE OR SO HAS
3 RESIGNED, WE DID HAVE ADEQUATE FACULTY.

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I THINK WE'VE HAD TWO RESIGNATIONS RECENTLY
6 THAT PUT IT SLIGHTLY BELOW THE NUMBER WE'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT YOU FEEL CONFIDENT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO REPLACE
9 THEM PRIOR TO THE TIME OF THE VISIT? IS THAT TRUE?

10

11 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES, YES, THAT'S TRUE.

12

13 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YES.

14

15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** ASSUMING THAT WE'RE ABLE TO WORK OUT THE RATE
16 ISSUES AND THAT.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT'S WHAT MY QUESTION IS, IS WHAT IS THE
19 PROCEDURE? DO YOU HAVE TO COME TO US TO WORK OUT THIS RATE
20 ISSUE? AND, IF SO, I WOULD THINK YOU WOULD HAVE IT IMMEDIATELY
21 ON THE BOARD BECAUSE WE WANT TO GET THOSE PEOPLE IN PLACE SO
22 THAT THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE TRAINED PRIOR TO THE TIME
23 THAT THEY START GOING THROUGH AC-- J.C.A.H.O.

24



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1 **KAE ROBERTSON:** AS IT STANDS NOW, THE RATE THAT THE PHYSICIANS
2 ARE TELLING US IS COMPETITIVE IS WITHIN THE UPPER LIMIT OF THE
3 CONTRACT THAT WE CAN DO WITHOUT BOARD APPROVAL. IF WE NEED
4 MORE THAN THAT, WE'LL KNOW WEDNESDAY, THE SURVEY WILL BE BACK
5 TO US ON WEDNESDAY.

6

7 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I THINK WE HAVE SIGNIFICANT ROOM,
8 ALMOST \$40 AN HOUR TO PLAY WITH BETWEEN WHERE WE ARE AND THE
9 MAXIMUM WE CAN GO TO WITHOUT COMING BACK TO THE BOARD.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** ARE ANY OF THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS AT RISK IN TERMS
12 OF THE NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS? IN TERMS OF SHORTAGE AS A RESULT
13 OF SOME OF THE PHYSICIANS RESIGNING?

14

15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE'RE STILL DOING A THOROUGH EVALUATION OF IF
16 THERE ARE ANY AREAS OF SHORTAGE. THAT'S WHY WE'RE COLLECTING
17 SOME OF THE SCHEDULES AND MATCHING THOSE STILL TO THE VOLUME
18 NUMBERS WITH THE NEW NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS THAT WE HAVE. THE
19 MAIN AREA HAS BEEN RADIOLOGY. THAT'S THE MAIN AREA WE'VE BEEN
20 FOCUSED ON CURRENTLY. I THINK THERE MAY BE A LITTLE BIT OF AN
21 ISSUE COMING UP IN NEUROLOGY. THAT'S THE ONLY OTHER ONE I CAN
22 THINK OF.

23

24 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** YEAH, ALMOST THROUGH THE DEPARTMENTAL
25 REVIEWS AND THAT, I THINK KAE IS RIGHT, RADIOLOGY IS THE MAIN



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1 ONE. EMERGENCY ONE HAS EMERGED JUST RECENTLY BECAUSE OF SOME
2 RESIGNATIONS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU BOTH ATTENDED THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
5 MEETING. COULD YOU GIVE US SOME IDEAS OF SOME OF THE ISSUES
6 THEY RAISED AND WHAT THEY WERE LOOKING AT?

7

8 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OR THE STEERING
9 COMMITTEE? DO YOU MEAN THE...

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I GUESS IT'S THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE.

12

13 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE? THEY ADDRESSED
14 ISSUES FROM A COMBINATION OF WHERE WE WERE WITH RECRUITMENT,
15 BOTH EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT AND STAFF RECRUITMENT. THEY
16 ADDRESSED ISSUES OF WHERE WE ARE AS IT RELATES TO THE C.M.S.
17 PLAN OF CORRECTION. THEY ALSO ADDRESSED ISSUES OF PHYSICIAN
18 AND STAFF MORALE BECAUSE OF ALL THE PUBLICITY AND THE
19 DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS OF RECENT. THEY DISCUSSED THE HOSPITAL
20 OPERATIONS ISSUES, SUCH AS THE PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE UNIT
21 STAFFING THAT WAS NEEDED TO ACCEPT ADMISSIONS AND THEY ALSO--
22 WE BROUGHT UP THE EMERGENCY PHYSICIAN STAFFING NEEDS THERE
23 WHICH PROMPTED THE FURTHER REVIEW THAT WILL BE OCCURRING THIS
24 WEDNESDAY AT THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THEY ARE ALSO LOOKING AT THESE ISSUES IN TERMS
2 OF SHORTAGES AND RESIGNATIONS?

3

4 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THEY BELIEVE THAT IT'S ABSOLUTELY THEIR
5 RESPONSIBILITY TO LOOK AT THOSE ISSUES AND TO DO EVERYTHING
6 THEY CAN. THEY'RE MEETING ON A WEEKLY BASIS TO TRY AND BRING
7 SOME RESOLUTION AND MAKE ANY APPROPRIATE RECOMMENDATIONS TO
8 YOUR BOARD AND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES OR TO US.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** IS EACH ONE OF THE DEPARTMENT HEADS MEETING WITH
11 THE PHYSICIANS AND HAVING FRANK DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM IN TERMS
12 OF THEIR OUTSIDE PRACTICE AND HOW THEY-- AND SCHEDULE,
13 COORDINATING THOSE SCHEDULES WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEAD?
14 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, MY OPINION, SOMEONE IN THIS DEPARTMENT OF
15 HEALTH SERVICES HAD TO KNOW SOME OF THIS WAS GOING ON AND-- AS
16 WELL AS THE PHYSICIANS SORT OF FEELING AS IF THIS WAS OKAY AND
17 EVERYBODY WAS TURNING THEIR BACK ON IT AND THAT IT WAS JUST
18 HAPPENING THAT SOME OF THEM WERE PRACTICING AT VARIOUS HOURS.
19 YOU KNOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THIS GOES ON FOR 20 YEARS AND
20 NO ONE HAS SOME IDEA OF IT. AND WHEN YOU EXIST IN SOME TIME
21 WHERE YOU DON'T JUST HAVE A HOSPITAL THAT HAS THIS AS AN
22 ACCEPTED POLICY BUT ALSO THERE IS AN IMPRESSION THAT THAT-- IN
23 TERMS OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SOME OF THIS IS ACCEPTED. IT
24 SEEMS TO ME WHAT SHOULD HAPPEN AT THIS POINT IS THAT EVERY
25 DOCTOR WHO HAS AN OUTSIDE PRACTICE SHOULD MEET WITH THEIR



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1 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND THERE BE SOME ABSOLUTE SCHEDULING SO THAT
2 EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT HOURS THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THERE AND
3 THAT THEY WOULD THEN CHANGE THEIR PRACTICE TO CONFORM TO THAT,
4 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT ALL OF THEM ARE ON STAFF OF OTHER
5 HOSPITALS. WHAT PERCENTAGE WOULD YOU SAY ARE NOT ON STAFF OF
6 SOME OTHER HOSPITAL?

7

8 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I DON'T KNOW IF I KNOW THAT BUT,
9 SUPERVISOR, WHAT WE HAVE DONE JUST RECENTLY IS WE WENT BACK
10 AND MADE SURE EVERYONE HAD AN UP-TO-DATE OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT
11 FORM SIGNED AND IN OUR POSSESSION, SO WE'VE RECENTLY DONE
12 THAT. I DON'T KNOW THE COLLATED OUTCOME OF...

13

14 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THEY'RE ALL COMPLETE BUT I DON'T KNOW THE
15 PERCENTAGE.

16

17 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WE HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO GO THROUGH
18 AND LOOK AND SEE WHO IS OR WHO ISN'T WORKING OUTSIDE BUT I CAN
19 TELL YOU THAT WE DID THAT AS A BASIS SO THAT EVERYONE HAS NOT
20 ONLY BEEN COMMUNICATED WITH, THEY HAVE FILLED OUT THE FORM
21 THAT SAYS THEY ARE WORKING OUTSIDE, IF THEY ARE A FULL-TIME
22 EMPLOYEE, AND HOW MUCH AND WHERE, AND THAT'S SIGNED AND IT'S
23 UP TO DATE. THAT'S STEP ONE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT, SEE, TO ME, IT HAS TO TAKE-- THE RECORDS ARE
2 FINE BUT IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT THAT THE DEPARTMENT HEAD
3 COORDINATE WITH EACH ONE OF THOSE PHYSICIANS, AND AS I MEAN OF
4 EACH DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE HOSPITAL, ON WHAT HOURS THEY WILL
5 BE THERE AND WHAT HOURS THEY'RE GOING TO BE ACTUALLY ON THERE
6 AT THEIR PRACTICE. NOW, WHEN THEY'RE AT THEIR PRACTICE, ARE
7 THEY ON CALL TO THE HOSPITAL?

8

9 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** THEY COULD BE. I WILL ALSO SAY THAT WE
10 HAVE GONE TO EACH DEPARTMENT HEAD AND THEY ARE PRODUCING FOR
11 US THE SCHEDULE FOR EACH PHYSICIAN IN EACH DEPARTMENT. SO WE
12 ARE COLLATING THAT CENTRALLY, WHICH HASN'T BEEN DONE. WE WILL
13 REVIEW THAT TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE WHERE THEY ARE
14 SUPPOSED TO BE AND THAT THAT'S...

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU KNOW, I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT, WITH ALL OF
17 THE PUBLICITY, BY THIS TIME EVERYONE WOULD HAVE DONE THAT BUT
18 I'M NOT TAKING ANYTHING FOR GRANTED ANY MORE.

19

20 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** ME EITHER.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, YOU SAY, WELL, MY GOODNESS, YOU
23 HAVE THIS ON TELEVISION, YOU HAVE THIS IN THE PAPER, SURELY A
24 PERSON WOULD SIT DOWN AND GO THROUGH THEIR SCHEDULE, JUST LIKE
25 WE HAVE HAD TO DO AND DETERMINE EXACTLY WHAT HOURS, WHAT WE'RE



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1 DOING AT EACH HOUR AND THAT THEY WOULD BE DOING THAT SORT OF
2 THING AS WELL.

3

4 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN AND THE CHIEFS SAY THEY
5 HAVE DONE IT. WE'RE WAITING TO GET THE SCHEDULES FROM THEM
6 THAT WILL SHOW US WHERE THEY ARE IN MONITORING THEIR OWN
7 STAFF.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE NO OTHER QUESTIONS.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. KNABE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** YES. JUST ONE QUESTION. ON THE ISSUE OF PERMANENCE
14 FOR THE NURSING STAFF, WE, YOU KNOW, THE 10% BONUS THAT
15 SUPPOSEDLY TO OFFER TO WORK AT M.L.K., IS THAT WORKING AT ALL
16 OR...?

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** I HEARD THAT THEY-- YOU KNOW, I THINK IT'S
19 TAKEN A WHILE FOR IT TO GET INTO THEIR PAYCHECKS. I HEARD THAT
20 IT WAS IN THEIR MOST RECENT PAYCHECK AND I THOUGHT WE HAD A
21 REALLY VERY GOOD TURNOUT FOR OUR NURSE RECRUITING DAY A WEEK
22 AND A HALF AGO. WE'RE NOW GOING TO HOLD THOSE EVERY OTHER
23 WEEK. WE GOT, I BELIEVE, SIX PEOPLE RECRUITED ON THE SPOT AND
24 WE STILL ARE WORKING THE REST OF THE APPLICATIONS, SO I'M REAL
25 HOPEFUL. WE ALSO HAD A VERY POSITIVE NET HIRE MONTH OF 27, THE



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1 FIRST TIME WE'VE SEEN THAT KIND OF A JUMP. SO WE HAVE A LONG
2 WAY TO GO BUT HOPEFULLY THAT WILL GET US STARTED.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** ON THE ISSUE OF USING PHYSICIANS FROM OTHER COUNTY
5 HOSPITALS, YOU KNOW, ON THE EMPLOYEE LOSSES, HAS THERE BEEN
6 ANY GOOD RESPONSE TO THAT, OR IS THERE ADVANTAGES OR
7 DISADVANTAGES? I MEAN, DO WE IMPACT THE SERVICE AT THE OTHER
8 HOSPITALS?

9

10 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I THINK I SAID BEFORE THAT WE'VE-- WE
11 DO NOT FEEL THAT WE HAVE EXCESS CAPACITY IN ANY OF OUR
12 HOSPITALS. IF WE DO, WE TEND TO ADJUST DOWNWARD IN OUR
13 STAFFING IN THOSE PARTICULAR HOSPITALS. WE RUN ABOUT A 95%
14 OCCUPANCY ON THE INPATIENT SIDE. WE HAVE LONG WAITS FOR CLINIC
15 TIME, FOR CLINICS. WE HAVE LONG WAITS FOR SURGERIES AND SO
16 FORTH. SO THE IDEA THAT THERE'S EXTRA CAPACITY THAT CAN BE
17 MOVED, TO ME, I DON'T SEE THE EVIDENCE FOR THAT. WE HAVE USED
18 SOME INDIVIDUALS. WE'VE HAD PEOPLE FROM HARBOR COVER AT KING
19 IN THE PAST. WE'VE HAD RESIDENTS FROM KING DO TRAINING AT
20 HARBOR BECAUSE OF SHORTAGES, WE'VE-- I SENT BILL LUCE TO KING
21 FOR ABOUT EIGHT TO NINE MONTHS AS MEDICAL OFFICER TO HELP OUT
22 AND I THINK WAS HELPFUL BEFORE NAVIGANT CAME. BUT THOSE THINGS
23 ALL HAVE CONSEQUENCES. THERE WERE CLEARLY THINGS THAT WEREN'T
24 GETTING DONE AT OLIVE VIEW WHEN DR. LUCE WAS AT KING DREW. SO



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1 IT'S JUST-- IT'S JUST A VERY DIFFICULT ISSUE TO FIND PEOPLE
2 THAT ARE WILLING TO DO IT AND ABLE AND TO FIND THE CAPACITY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THE OTHER THING WAS INDICATED IN THE REPORT WAS
5 THAT WE WERE LOSING ABOUT SEVEN EMPLOYEES A MONTH OR SOMETHING
6 LIKE THAT AT M.L.K.? ARE THE MAJORITY OF THOSE COUNTY-
7 INITIATED OR JUST PEOPLE LEAVING?

8

9 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** MIXTURE. I THINK THERE'S A MIXTURE AND
10 I DON'T THINK IT'S A NET LOSS. IT'S-- THOUGH WE DO HAVE LOSSES
11 WITH SOME REPLACEMENTS.

12

13 **MICHAEL HENRY:** THE SEVEN THAT WERE REPORTED IN THE LOS ANGELES
14 TIMES WERE BASICALLY DISCHARGED. IT WAS THE AVERAGE DISCHARGES
15 PER MONTH FROM JANUARY '04 THROUGH, I THINK, MARCH OF '05. AS
16 KAE POINTED OUT, FOR APRIL, WE HAD A NET GAIN OF 27 EMPLOYEES,
17 WHICH WAS A VERY GOOD MONTH.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, BUT THE ONES THAT WE'RE LOSING. I MEAN, I'M
20 NOT TALKING ABOUT NET GAINS, NET LOSSES. I'M JUST TALKING
21 ABOUT THE ONES THAT ARE ON THAT EMPLOYEE LOSS. I MEAN, ARE
22 MOST OF THOSE COUNTY INITIATED?

23

24 **MICHAEL HENRY:** I BELIEVE MOST OF THOSE ARE COUNTY INITIATED.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD I ASK DR. FLORES TO JOIN US?

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DR. FLORES, IF YOU WOULD JOIN US.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW, I SAW-- I RECEIVED YOUR MEMO DATED
10 TODAY LAST NIGHT AND, IN THE COURSE OF THE MEMO, IT SAYS, AND
11 I'LL JUST QUOTE FROM IT, "WE, THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD,
12 HAVE NOW HELD TWO FORMAL MEETINGS OF THE H.A.B., INCLUDING OUR
13 WORKING MEETING HELD MAY 9TH," ET CETERA, ET CETERA. "WE HAVE
14 FORMED A QUALITY ASSURANCE, QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTED, A
15 STEERING OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AND A FINANCE COMMITTEE THAT
16 WILL REVIEW RESPECTIVELY QUALITY AND CARE AND QUALITY OF
17 SERVICE ISSUES, ADDRESS CHALLENGES IN THE MANAGEMENT AND
18 OPERATION OF THE HOSPITAL AND ITS TEACHING PROGRAMS AND WILL
19 REVIEW FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR
20 ECONOMIC EFFICIENCIES AND REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES AT KING DREW
21 MEDICAL CENTER. IN ORDER TO REACH OUR GOALS AND MEET THE
22 DEMANDING TIMELINE WE HAVE SET FORTH, WE ARE REQUESTING A
23 TOTAL OF \$250,000 IN ASSISTANCE." NOW, WHEN I TALKED TO SOME
24 OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OR MY STAFF TALKED TO SOME OF THE OTHER
25 MEMBERS OF THE H.A.B., THEY SAID THIS NEVER CAME UP AT THE



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1 H.A.B. AND I GUESS MY STAFF HAS TALKED TO YOU PRIVATELY
2 EARLIER THIS MORNING AND THE H.A.B., THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY
3 BOARD, DID NOT TAKE SUCH AN ACTION. SO MY FIRST QUESTION IS,
4 WHY-- WHERE DID THIS COME FROM, THIS REQUEST, BOTH IN TERMS OF
5 ITS MONETARY VALUE AND IN TERMS OF THE SCOPE OF THE VARIOUS
6 THINGS THAT ARE CALLED FOR IN THE MOTION OR IN YOUR
7 MEMORANDUM, ACTUALLY?

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9 **DR. FLORES:** YES, THANK YOU. WELL, TO ANSWER THAT, LET ME JUST
10 BRIEFLY GIVE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS ABOUT THE GENESIS OF THE
11 MOTION. BASED ON THE TWO MEETINGS THAT WE'VE HAD TO DATE AS
12 THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD, AS WELL AS THE MEETINGS OF THE
13 COMMITTEES THAT WE'VE ESTABLISHED, THE STEERING COMMITTEE,
14 WHICH WAS CALLED THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE FORMERLY, THE Q.I.
15 COMMITTEE, AND FINANCE, THE-- WITH DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
16 CHAIRS, WE'VE IDENTIFIED CERTAIN NEEDS THAT I, AS THE CHAIR OF
17 THE ADVISORY BOARD, FELT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO SHARE WITH THE
18 SUPERVISORS. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR HEARING
19 MY URGENCY. THIS MOTION REALLY CAME AS A RESULT OF A
20 DISCUSSION THAT WE HAD ABOUT THE TIMELINES THAT WE SET FOR
21 OURSELVES AND A 90-DAY TIMELINE FOR THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY
22 BOARD AND THE KINDS OF NEEDS THAT WE ANTICIPATED WE MIGHT
23 NEED, BASED ON EARLY RETURNS FROM OUR THREE COMMITTEES. AND I
24 SUGGESTED THAT WE WOULD NEED RESOURCES TO HIRE EXTERNAL
25 REVIEWERS FOR CASE REVIEWS AT THE HOSPITAL, PARTICULARLY WHERE



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1 WE WOULD WANT TO HAVE LIKE SPECIALTY REVIEWING LIKE SPECIALTY,
2 I.E., NEUROSURGEONS REVIEWING NEUROSURGERY CASES, THAT WE HAD
3 SOME LIMITED ABILITY AS MEMBERS OF THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD
4 OURSELVES, THOSE OF US WHO ARE PHYSICIANS AND CLINICIANS, TO
5 PARTICIPATE IN THE REVIEW BUT WE REALLY WANTED TO BE ABLE TO
6 COMPLEMENT WHAT NAVIGANT HAS ESTABLISHED AS FAR AS PROCEDURES
7 FOR QUALITY, ESTABLISHING AND STREAMLINING THE QUALITY
8 IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEES AND PROCESSES AT THE MEDICAL CENTER.
9 BUT, IN THEIR CHARGE, THEY DO NOT HAVE FUNDING FOR PEER
10 REVIEWERS TO BE BROUGHT FROM THE OUTSIDE WHEN THE PEER REVIEW
11 INTERNALLY IS EITHER LACKING OR YOU WORRY ABOUT THE FOX
12 GUARDING THE CHICKEN COOP. SO SOMETIMES YOU NEED TO HAVE
13 OBJECTIVE EXTERNAL REVIEW. THE SECOND PIECE REGARDING ASKING
14 FOR ACCESS TO FUNDS FOR LEGAL ADVICE CAME AS A RESULT OF SORT
15 OF THE DISCUSSIONS WE'VE HAD AND, AGAIN, THIS IS NOT A FORMAL
16 ACTION OF THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD, SO I'M GOING TO GET TO
17 THAT IN A SECOND...

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I'M TOLD THAT IT WASN'T EVEN DISCUSSED
20 BY THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD.

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22 **DR. FLORES:** NO, IT DID NOT. THIS CAME SUBSEQUENT TO OUR
23 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING ON...

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHY-- BEFORE YOU GET INTO THE DETAILS,
2 AND I WANT TO GET INTO THE DETAILS, WHY WOULD YOU SAY IN A
3 MEMO TO ME THAT THE H.A.B., I ASSUME THAT'S WHO YOU'RE
4 REFERRING TO WHEN YOU SAID "WE" ARE REQUESTING A TOTAL OF
5 \$250,000, IT'S A REFERENCE TO THE H.A.B., WHY WOULD YOU SAY
6 THE H.A.B. IS MAKING A REQUEST WHEN THEY NEVER EVEN DISCUSSED
7 IT?

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9 **DR. FLORES:** WELL, THE CONTEXT THERE IS THAT WE'RE WORKING
10 UNDER EXTRAORDINARY CONDITIONS TO GET SOMETHING OF SUBSTANCE
11 BACK TO YOU AS A BOARD REGARDING WHAT WE ASSESS AS THE QUALITY
12 ISSUES, THE SAFETY ISSUES AT THE MEDICAL CENTER, THE
13 OPERATIONAL ISSUES THAT CAN ENHANCE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR
14 PATIENTS AND EVEN THE FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE MEDICAL
15 CENTER. AND THE-- I DIDN'T THINK THAT A REQUEST OF THIS NATURE
16 WOULD REQUIRE A FORMAL ACTION BY THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD.
17 THAT, IF WE HAD AT LEAST SOME OF THE KEY LEADERSHIP, I.E., THE
18 COMMITTEE CHAIRS, INVOLVED IN SOME OF THESE DISCUSSIONS, THAT
19 WE COULD MOVE TO GET SOME RESOURCES OF THIS NATURE EXPEDITED
20 WITHOUT HAVING TO CONVENE THE ENTIRE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY, IN YOUR MEMORANDUM
23 TO US, THAT YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO DISCUSS IT WITH THE
24 H.A.B. BUT YOU, AS THE CHAIR, ARE RECOMMENDING IT?

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1 **DR. FLORES:** I'M SORRY FOR MISLEADING YOU THAT WAY. I DID NOT
2 INTEND TO DO THAT. IT WAS REALLY JUST CONSENSUS DISCUSSIONS.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT YOU HAD-- YOU SAID-- HERE YOU GO AGAIN,
5 YOU-- MY UNDERSTANDING IS THERE HAVE NOT BEEN ANY DISCUSSIONS
6 OVER FUNDING OF THESE THINGS.

7

8 **DR. FLORES:** THERE WAS NO FORMAL DISCUSSION, NO FORMAL
9 ACTION...

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, HAS THERE BEEN INFORMAL ANY
12 DISCUSSION?

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14 **DR. FLORES:** THERE'S BEEN INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS, YES.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND HOW MANY MEMBERS OF THE H.A.B. HAVE YOU
17 INFORMALLY DISCUSSED IT WITH?

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19 **DR. FLORES:** JUST A FEW.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST A FEW. WELL, THERE ARE ONLY-- HOW MANY
22 ARE THERE ON THE...

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24 **DR. FLORES:** THERE'S 15.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE'S 15. AND HOW MANY OF THOSE 15 HAVE
2 YOU DISCUSSED IT WITH?

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4 **DR. FLORES:** WELL, LESS THAN A QUORUM.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A GOOD ANSWER. WE SHOULD BE AS QUICK
7 ON OUR FEET. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I RAISE IT NOT TO PUT YOU ON THE SPOT BUT I
10 RAISE IT BECAUSE YOU HAVE NOW CAUSED ME-- I DIDN'T GO HUNTING
11 TO FIND OUT WHETHER THIS WAS A POSITION, IT INADVERTENTLY CAME
12 TO US. BUT NOW I HAVE REASON TO BE SKEPTICAL ANY TIME THERE IS
13 A REPRESENTATION, UNTIL IT'S PROVEN OTHERWISE, WHERE THERE'S A
14 REPRESENTATION THAT THE H.A.B. HAS MADE A RECOMMENDATION, I'M
15 GOING TO CHECK IT OUT. AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I'M GOING
16 TO CHECK IT OUT AND I HOPE THAT, NEXT TIME THERE'S A
17 REPRESENTATION MADE TO THIS BOARD THAT THE H.A.B. IS PROPOSING
18 SOMETHING, THAT THEY-- THAT THAT WILL BE TRUTHFUL. SECONDLY,
19 NOT EVERYBODY, IN FACT, NOBODY ON THE H.A.B. WITH WHOM WE'VE
20 SPOKEN HAS SUPPORTED THIS REQUEST. IN FACT, THEY ARE PUZZLED
21 BY IT, ESPECIALLY THE PART THAT DEALS WITH THE LAWYERS AND THE
22 TWO OF THE THREE, THE LAWYERS AND THE THIRD THING, NOT THE...

23

24 **DR. FLORES:** THE SECOND PART, WHICH IS THE LEGAL? THE LEGAL
25 POINTS?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE LEGAL AND THE POLICY ANALYSIS PIECE. AND
3 I'M CERTAINLY OPEN TO HEARING, WITH SPECIFICITY, THE THIRD
4 PIECE, BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE HAD IN MIND FOR YOUR
5 GROUP ORIGINALLY, THE FIRST THING YOU RECOMMENDED, THE OUTSIDE
6 MEDICAL REVIEWERS, IS TO-- ALTHOUGH OUR IDEA AT THE TIME, AT
7 LEAST MY UNDERSTANDING, EVERYBODY MAY HAVE A DIFFERENT IDEA,
8 BUT WE DID NOT ANTICIPATE THAT THIS WAS GOING TO BE A BI-
9 CAMERA LEGISLATURE HERE WHERE YOU HAVE A HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND
10 NAVIGANT ON THE ONE HAND AND THE H.A.B. ON THE OTHER AND WE'D
11 HAVE COMPETING BUREAUCRACIES. YOU HAVE PROPOSED, IN THIS
12 THING, TO SPEND \$125,000 ON ATTORNEYS FOR 90 DAYS AND THE
13 PURPOSE OF IT IS, FRANKLY, APPEARS TO ME THAT YOU'RE NOT
14 SATISFIED WITH THE ANSWERS OR WITH THE RESPONSE YOU'RE GETTING
15 FROM THE COUNTY COUNSEL. THAT'S THE IMPLICATION AND IF IT'S
16 NOT EXPLICIT, SO YOU WANT YOUR OWN ATTORNEY TO GIVE YOU YOUR
17 OWN LEGAL ADVICE AS WE GO THROUGH OUR PROCESS HERE AND I WANT
18 TO READ SPECIFICALLY FROM YOUR MEMORANDUM, IF I CAN FIND IT
19 WITHOUT TAKING TOO MUCH TIME, I MEAN UNION REGULATIONS, "IF
20 THE H.A.B. IS TO BE ASKED TO OPINE ON OUTSOURCING, DOWNSIZING,
21 ET CETERA, PLUS MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE
22 HUBERT HUMPHREY HEALTH CENTER, THE H.A.B. MAY REQUIRE LABOR
23 ATTORNEY GUIDANCE IN MATTERS WHERE COUNTY COUNSEL MAY BE
24 CONFLICTED." WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I'M NOT SURE THE COUNTY
25 COUNSEL WILL BE CONFLICTED. HE'S OUR ATTORNEY. WE ARE THE



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1 GOVERNING BODY. WE ULTIMATELY HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE
2 HUBERT HUMPHREY CLINIC AND EVERYTHING ELSE AT THE KING DREW
3 MEDICAL CENTER COMPLEX. SO HE'S NOT GOING TO HAVE A CONFLICT.
4 HE MAY HAVE A CONFLICT OF OPINION WITH YOU BUT THAT'S-- IF WE
5 HIRED PRIVATE COUNSEL FOR EVERY TIME WE SET UP AN ADVISORY
6 COMMITTEE OR A COMMISSION OF THE BOARD-- OF THE COUNTY, IT
7 WOULD BE LUDICROUS. YOU THEN GO ON TO SAY, "DIRECTORS AND
8 OFFICERS OF THE H.A.B., THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD, OR H.A.B.
9 MEMBERS REQUEST CLARITY ON LIABILITY COVERAGE, REPRESENTATION
10 AND RESOLUTION. FURTHER ASSISTANCE MAY BE NEEDED WITH REGARD
11 TO CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST." COUNTY
12 COUNSEL SHOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE THAT AND, IF YOU'RE HAVING A
13 PROBLEM WITH THAT, LET US KNOW. IT'S NOT A REASON TO SPEND
14 125,000 BUCKS FOR THREE MONTHS. "MEDICARE, MEDI-CAL FRAUD AND
15 ABUSE." AGAIN, "WHAT ARE THE SAFE HARBORS FOR COUNTY-BASED
16 HOSPITAL AND ITS MEDICAL STAFF IN ORDER TO RECRUIT NEW
17 PHYSICIANS?" THAT'S SOMETHING YOU OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO GET FROM
18 OUR COUNSEL. YOU DON'T HAVE TO-- WE'RE SETTING UP A
19 BUREAUCRACY HERE THAT WE DON'T NEED TO. SO I GOT-- AND THEN
20 THE-- "IF KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER IS OUTSOURCED, WHAT WOULD
21 BE THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES OPTIONS
22 REGARDING PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE AND L.A. COUNTY REQUIREMENTS FOR
23 SECTION 17000. CAN THE FACULTY PRACTICE PLAN GET A LUMP SUM OF
24 MONEY TO PAY FOR PHYSICIAN COVERAGE," ET CETERA, ET CETERA.
25 THIS IS PRECISELY WHAT WE'VE ASKED OUR OWN TEAM TO DO. LEILA



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1 KAPUR, I ASSUME, HAS STARTED WORK ON THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE
2 MOTION WE APPROVED ON THE BOARD A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. SO I HAD--
3 ASIDE FROM THE TRUTHFULNESS OF THE REPRESENTATION, THAT'S
4 BEHIND US NOW, NOW TO THE MERITS OF IT, I REALLY DON'T
5 UNDERSTAND WHY WE HAVE A NEED, WHY YOU HAVE A NEED TO HIRE
6 SEPARATE LAWYERS WHEN WE HAVE AN ARMY OF LAWYERS INTERNALLY,
7 AND, ON SECTION 17000 ISSUES, WE EVEN HAVE PRIVATE COUNSEL
8 THAT HAS BEEN REPRESENTING US ON CASES. IF WE REALLY GET
9 DESPERATE, WE NEED A MORE EXPERT AND FOCUSED OPINION. AND WHAT
10 WORRIED ME ABOUT THIS FRANKLY, AND I SAID THIS TO MY
11 COLLEAGUES, IS THAT, WHEN WE APPROVED THE MOTION, THE
12 KNABE/YAROSLAVSKY MOTION A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, WHICH ASKED TO
13 LAY OUT THE OPTIONS FOR OUTSOURCING OR CONTRACTING OUT THE
14 OPERATION OF THE HOSPITAL, SHOULD THAT BECOME NECESSARY, WE
15 HAVE NOT MADE THAT DETERMINATION BUT SHOULD IT BECOME
16 NECESSARY, THIS MEMO, AS I READ IT LAST NIGHT, SUGGESTS THAT
17 YOU WANT TO BE IN A POSITION TO HAVE YOUR OWN LEGAL ADVICE AND
18 YOUR OWN POLICY ANALYSTS ARGUE WITH US, WITH OUR LEGAL
19 COUNSEL, AND GET INTO A-- WHAT I CALL A BI-CAMERA LEGISLATURE,
20 FOR LACK OF A BETTER TERMINOLOGY, TO GET INTO A COMPETITION OF
21 LEGAL OPINIONS. AND THAT'S NOT WHAT I HAD IN MIND. I DON'T
22 THINK IT'S WHAT MR. KNABE HAD IN MIND WHEN WE PUT THAT-- I
23 DON'T THINK IT'S WHAT THE BOARD HAD IN MIND. SECONDLY, THE
24 H.A.B., THE REASON WE PUT PEOPLE ON THE H.A.B. OR THAT PEOPLE
25 WERE PUT ON THE H.A.B. THAT HAVE EXPERTISE LIKE YOURSELF AND



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1 THE OTHERS WHO ARE YOUR COLLEAGUES ON THERE, WAS BECAUSE THEY
2 HAD MEDICAL EXPERTISE AND THAT WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO REINVENT
3 THE WHEEL FOR THEM, THAT THEY WOULD HIT THE GROUND RUNNING.
4 THEY'VE SEEN ALL KINDS OF PROBLEMS LIKE THIS BEFORE AND THEY
5 WOULD-- RELYING ON THEIR OWN EARS AND EYES AND THE INPUT THEY
6 GOT FROM OUR BUREAUCRACY AND OUR FOLKS THAT YOU'D BE ABLE TO
7 SAY, "THAT JUST DOESN'T ADD UP" OR "THAT ADDS UP" OR "YOU NEED
8 TO DO IT THIS WAY" OR "OUR OPINION IS THAT THIS DOESN'T MEET
9 THE SNELL TEST" OR WHATEVER. IT WASN'T INTENDED TO BE A
10 MASSIVE EXPANDED GOVERNING TOOL AS MUCH AS IT WAS TO BE-- AND,
11 KAE, YOU AND I TALKED ABOUT IT IN ITS INFANCY. IT WAS DESIGNED
12 TO BE AN ADVISORY BOARD, IS EXACTLY WHAT IT IS, A HOSPITAL
13 ADVISORY BOARD. NOT ANY ORDINARY ADVISORY BOARD, ADVISORY
14 BOARD WITH PEOPLE LIKE HECTOR FLORES ON IT, WHICH IS A PRETTY
15 GOOD ADVISORY BOARD AND THE OTHERS WHO ARE ON THERE. THESE ARE
16 GOOD FOLKS. SO I JUST WANTED TO RAISE THAT NOW. I KNOW THAT
17 YOU'VE ASKED THAT IT BE PUT OVER A WEEK. I HAVE NO PROBLEM
18 WITH IT BEING PUT OVER A WEEK. I DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM WITH
19 IT BEING PUT OVER A YEAR AND A WEEK BUT I WANTED YOU TO KNOW
20 WHERE I WAS COMING FROM ON, AT LEAST ON THE TWO ISSUES
21 RELATING TO LEGAL COUNSEL AND THE POLICY ANALYSIS. I AM
22 INTRIGUED AND I'D LIKE TO HEAR WHAT YOUR BOARD REALLY FEELS AS
23 A BOARD ON THIS FIRST ISSUE BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS MORE IN
24 LINE WITH WHAT WE HAD IN MIND FOR YOU. IF YOU NEED SOME
25 RESOURCES TO DO THESE KINDS OF PINPOINTED, I DON'T KNOW IF



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1 THEY'RE RANDOM OR HOW YOU'RE GOING TO DO IT BUT HOWEVER YOU'RE
2 GOING TO DO IT, TO DO THESE CASE STUDIES, I'M ALL EARS ON THAT
3 BECAUSE THAT'S SOMETHING THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WE HAD
4 IN MIND. IF YOU CAN'T DO IT ON YOUR OWN, YOU NEED SOME
5 ASSISTANCE, THAT'S FINE. AND I WOULD URGE YOU TO CONSIDER THAT
6 KIND OF A SCOPE. BUT I REALLY THINK THAT YOU NEED-- ONE OF THE
7 ADVANTAGES, AND IT'S THE LAST THING I'M GOING TO SAY, THE
8 ADVANTAGES OF HAVING THE GROUP YOU HAVE THERE IS THAT YOU HAVE
9 A LOT OF GOOD FOLKS AND, IF YOU ALL COME WITH THE UNANIMOUS
10 RECOMMENDATION TO DO SOMETHING, IT'S GOING TO CARRY A LOT OF
11 WEIGHT BECAUSE IT'S-- BECAUSE OF WHO YOU ARE COLLECTIVELY BUT
12 I DO THINK YOU NEED TO TAKE THE TIME, EVEN IF IT'S A
13 CONFERENCE CALL, IF IT CAN LEGALLY BE DONE, TO GET THEIR INPUT
14 ON SOMETHING LIKE THIS. AND, IF NOT, AT LEAST SAY THAT YOU
15 COULDN'T SO THAT WE DON'T FIND OUT INADVERTENTLY THAT THERE'S
16 SOMETHING ELSE GOING ON. SO THAT'S-- THOSE ARE JUST MY
17 COMMENTS. I'M NOT GOING TO OBJECT TO A CONTINUANCE, MADAM
18 CHAIR, AND I HOPE THAT IT GETS WORKED OUT IN THE NEXT WEEK.

19

20 **DR. FLORES:** IF I COULD JUST MAKE A COUPLE COMMENTS. I THANK
21 YOU FOR YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS, SUPERVISOR. JUST SO YOU
22 KNOW, TO EXPLAIN MY ACTION HERE, IS THAT WE ARE ON A VERY
23 AMBITIOUS 90-DAY TIME LINE. I THINK OUR BOARD NEEDS TO EMPOWER
24 ITSELF TO AT LEAST MAKE SOME EXECUTIVE DECISIONS, NOT IN
25 DISAGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND YOUR CHARGE TO



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1 US, BUT TO REALLY EXPEDITE A PROCESS WHERE WE HAVE AN EXODUS
2 OF PHYSICIANS, AS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED. WE'VE ALSO TERMINATED
3 SOME PHYSICIANS WHO NEEDED TO BE TERMINATED BUT THE FACT IS,
4 WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE SO MUCH TIME THAT WE ACTUALLY LOSE A
5 WORKFORCE OF PHYSICIANS THAT IS CRITICAL TO ANY HOSPITAL, THAT
6 THE REST OF THE FUTURE OF KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER AND ALL THE
7 PERMUTATIONS THAT WE'RE STUDYING BECOME MOOT BECAUSE WE'VE
8 LOST THE PHYSICIANS AND THERE'S NO WORKFORCE THERE TO WORK THE
9 SYSTEM.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I AGREE BUT I DON'T THINK THAT HIRING A
12 BATCH OF LAWYERS FOR 125 GRAND FOR 90 DAYS IS GOING TO SLOW
13 DOWN THE EXODUS OF EMERGENCY ROOM DOCTORS. ON THE CONTROVERSY,
14 I THINK IT'S GOING TO SLOW DOWN OUR WHOLE COLLECTIVE PROCESS
15 AND MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR US TO ACT DECISIVELY AS A
16 COUNTY TO DO THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE. THAT'S THE WAY I
17 READ IT. IF THAT'S NOT-- I'M SURE IT WASN'T YOUR INTENT BUT
18 THAT'S THE WAY I READ IT. ENOUGH SAID.

19

20 **DR. FLORES:** AND NO, I THINK, IN RESPONSE TO THAT, I, YOU KNOW,
21 I WAS ALSO CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT OUR NEXT HOSPITAL
22 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING IS ON JUNE 13TH, WHICH PUTS US, YOU
23 KNOW, TWO MONTHS INTO OUR SELF-IMPOSED 90-DAY TIMELINE AND
24 GETTING FOLKS TOGETHER ON THE TELEPHONE AND THEN POSTING THAT
25 WITH, YOU KNOW, ADEQUATE TIME BECAUSE WE DO ADHERE TO THE



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1 BROWN ACT, TO ME, WAS CUMBERSOME. THERE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY
2 HERE TO GET SOME RESOURCES. A LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND ALSO ON
3 THE 125,000, BECAUSE IT SOUNDS EXORBITANT BUT-- AND-- BY THE
4 WAY AND I'VE SPOKEN WITH MISS ANITA LEE AND COUNTY COUNSEL,
5 THAT OUR INTENT WAS NOT TO CIRCUMVENT WHAT RESOURCES THERE,
6 BECAUSE THEY'RE COMPETENCE LAWYERS AND THEY HAVE EXPERTISE AND
7 WHEN THEY DON'T HAVE THE EXPERTISE OR THEY DON'T HAVE THE
8 CAPACITY, THEY CAN OUTSOURCE SOME OF THAT. WE UNDERSTAND THAT.
9 TO ME, THE 125,000 WAS A FUND THAT WE COULD DRAW FROM. IN
10 FACT, WHAT I MENTIONED TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS THAT WE WOULD
11 BE HAPPY TO GIVE ALL THAT MONEY BACK IF WE ENDED UP NOT USING
12 IT AND, AGAIN, I REALLY RESPECT HER AND I APPRECIATE HER
13 RESPONSE TO OUR URGENCY. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN TIMELY TO HAVE,
14 YOU KNOW, THAT EXTRA WEEK THAT I'M ASKING FOR NOW TO MAKE SURE
15 THAT WE GET A FORMAL VOTE. I'VE ALSO HEARD FROM YOUR
16 COLLEAGUES THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO SET A PRECEDENT TO HAVE A
17 CHAIR OF A BOARD MAKE THESE KINDS OF DECISIONS BECAUSE THEN IT
18 MAY PAINT EVERYONE INTO A CORNER AND I RESPECT THAT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ANYTHING YOU
21 SAID. I DON'T NECESSARILY AGREE WITH IT. IN TERMS OF THE-- YOU
22 JUST SAID IT THAT WAY, THAT IT WAS YOUR RECOMMENDATION AND
23 WE'VE BEEN THROUGH THAT, WE DON'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH THAT. I
24 WANT TO JUST TAKE ISSUE WITH THE WAY YOU DESCRIBE THE LAWYERS.
25 I MEAN, READ YOUR OWN MEMO. THIS IS NOT ABOUT URGENCY. THIS IS



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1 ABOUT LONG TERM. THIS IS ABOUT CIVIL SERVICE ISSUES. IT'S
2 ABOUT DISCIPLINARY ISSUES. IT'S ABOUT SECTION 17000. IT'S NOT
3 ABOUT SHORT-TERM ISSUES. I DON'T SEE IT THE WAY-- YOU DIDN'T
4 ARTICULATE IT IN YOUR MEMO THE WAY YOU'RE ARTICULATING IT NOW
5 AND WHAT YOU'RE ARTICULATING NOW IS VERY GENERAL. WHAT YOU
6 ARTICULATED IN THE MEMO IS VERY SPECIFIC AND WHAT'S IN THE
7 MEMO, I'M NOT INTERESTED IN PAYING FOR. THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE
8 HAVE INSTRUCTED OUR PEOPLE TO DO. WE'D HAVE TWO SETS OF
9 LAWYERS DOING THE SAME THING AND WE DON'T NEED TO DO THAT. AND
10 RATHER THAN GIVE YOU \$125,000 TO DRAW ON, I WOULD RECOMMEND
11 THAT, IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING SPECIFIC THAT CAN'T BE DONE BY THE
12 COUNTY COUNSEL, THAT YOU COME AND SAY TO US, WE'RE HERE EVERY
13 TUESDAY, THAT THIS IS A SPECIFIC THING THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL
14 CANNOT DO AND WE NEED IT DONE AND HERE'S WHAT IT'S GOING TO
15 COST TO DO IT AND THEN LET US EVALUATE IT AT THE TIME. BUT I
16 GUARANTEE YOU THAT, IF YOU GET A FUND OF 125,000 FOR LEGAL
17 FEES, AS MS. MOLINA WILL TELL YOU, SHE IS AS PERTURBED ABOUT
18 THE WAY WE SPEND MONEY ON LAWYERS AS ANYBODY, THAT IT DOESN'T
19 TAKE LONG TO GO THROUGH \$125,000 WITH A PRIVATE LAWYER.
20 ANYWAY, I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS AND I DON'T WANT TO...

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE ARE CONTINUING THIS ITEM,
23 THIS PORTION OF THE ITEM, UNTIL NEXT WEEK. BUT I DO THINK THAT
24 IT'S IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND THE LIMITED TIME
25 FRAME UNDER WHICH THEY'RE WORKING. AND ALL OF US HAVE BEEN



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1 CONCERNED AND I CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED AS TO WHERE AND HOW
2 YOU GET THE INFORMATION. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT IT IS NAVIGANT
3 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDING THE
4 INFORMATION. LIKE ALL OF US WHO HAVE STAFF, WHO HAVE
5 ASSISTANTS, GETTING THE INFORMATION, MAKING SURE YOU HAVE THE
6 INFORMATION, BEING ABLE TO ANALYZE THE INFORMATION AND GET IT
7 PRESENTED TO YOUR BOARD IS GOING TO BE A KEY PORTION OF THE
8 WORK THAT'S GOING TO BE DONE WITHIN 90 DAYS. WE ARE NOT THAT
9 EFFECTIVE, EVEN WITH ALL OF OUR STAFFS, TO GET AS MUCH OF THAT
10 DONE. SO I THINK THERE IS GOING TO BE A HUGE NEED TO GET THE
11 ASSISTANCE THAT THEY'RE GOING TO NEED IN ORDER TO GET THE WORK
12 DONE, IF THEY'RE GOING TO HONOR THEIR TIME FRAME. AND THE TIME
13 FRAME, I THINK, IS REALLY ESSENTIAL. WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR
14 NOT, WE ARE REALLY ON THE BRINK OF HAVING TO MAKE SOME VERY
15 CRITICAL DECISIONS THAT HOPEFULLY WE'RE GOING TO MAKE AND NOT
16 BE MADE FOR US. SO, IN ORDER FOR US TO BE IN A PROACTIVE
17 APPROACH TO THIS, WE NEED TO HAVE SOMEBODY HELP US ANALYZE THE
18 DATA, THE INFORMATION THAT WE'RE GETTING. I FOUND MYSELF IN A
19 DIFFICULT SITUATION, NOT HAVING THE CAPABILITY TO ANALYZE THE
20 INFORMATION THAT WAS THERE. I LOOK AT IT AT JUST PLAIN FACE
21 VALUE AND, VERY FRANKLY, THAT ISN'T FROM A POINT OF VIEW OF
22 HOW A HOSPITAL IS ADMINISTERED, HOW DOCTORS INTERFACE AND
23 OPERATE, LET ALONE HOW ALL THE MEDICAL STAFF INTERFACE WITH
24 ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND SO ON. SO IT DOES TAKE SOMEBODY WITH
25 THE KIND OF EXPERTISE THAT WE HAVE BUT IT'S ALWAYS BEEN AND I



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1 CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE INFORMATION AS TO HOW WE'RE
2 GETTING IT AND HOW IT'S BEING INTERPRETED. SOME PEOPLE, AND
3 THIS MAY NOT BE DR. FLORES, BUT I AM ONE WHO AM VERY CONCERNED
4 WHEN I SEE THESE KINDS OF ALLEGATIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE
5 AGAINST THE DOCTORS AND WHO, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE HAVE
6 PEOPLE WHO ARE CHECKING ON THEM AND FINDING OUT THAT IT'S JUST
7 SORT OF THE STANDARD. THIS IS THE WAY THEY'VE ALWAYS BEEN
8 DOING BUSINESS. I DON'T FIND THAT STANDARD ACCEPTABLE AND IT'S
9 HARD FOR ME TO TELL ABOUT THE BUREAUCRACY AND WHY EVERYTHING
10 IS TAKING SO LONG. I JUST TALKED TO OUR OWN DIRECTOR OF HUMAN
11 SERVICES. THE NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING INVESTIGATIONS, THE OPEN
12 CASES, I CAN'T TELL HOW MANY THERE ON HERE BUT IT IS FOUR
13 SHEETS OF...

14

15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** APPROXIMATELY 185 OUTSTANDING OPEN
16 INVESTIGATIONS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 185. I MEAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW, IN A
19 CRISIS SITUATION, YOU DON'T MOVE QUICKLY TO ADDRESS MANY OF
20 THESE ISSUES. I DON'T KNOW WHAT EVERYONE ELSE IS DOING BUT I
21 KNOW I'VE ASKED MR. HENRY ON SOME OF THEM TO FIND OUT WHAT IS
22 GOING ON, INCLUDING NURSES WITHOUT APPROPRIATE LICENSES THAT
23 ARE FUNCTIONING. I DON'T SEE A CONCLUSION AS TO WHAT HAPPENED
24 WAY BACK IN FEBRUARY ON OTHER KINDS OF ISSUES. SO I HAVE A
25 TENDENCY TO MAYBE OVERREACT WHEN I SEE THESE KINDS OF THINGS



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1 BUT I WOULD BE THE KIND OF PERSON THAT, IF MY MOM WERE IN THAT
2 HOSPITAL AND I KNEW SHE WAS BEING ATTENDED BY A NURSE THAT
3 DIDN'T HAVE AN ACTIVE LICENSE, I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO
4 OVERREACT.

5

6 **KAE ROBERTSON:** JUST TO TELL YOU, THE NURSES ALL NOW HAVE
7 LICENSES.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NOT ACCORDING TO THE REPORT THAT'S BEEN
10 PRESENTED TO ME.

11

12 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THAT WAS A DISCIPLINARY ACTION FROM PAST
13 MONTHS. AT THAT TIME, THEY DIDN'T. I THINK THOSE DISCIPLINARY
14 ACTIONS GO BACK TO JANUARY OF 2004.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY DO.

17

18 **KAE ROBERTSON:** SO WE NOW HAVE ALL NURSES HAVE LICENSES.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW BUT YOU WOULD THINK THAT SOMEBODY
21 COULD UPDATE A CHART FOR US, RIGHT? SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO
22 LOOK AT THIS INFORMATION BECAUSE, MORE THAN LIKELY AND
23 HOPEFULLY I'M SAYING, WE DO HAVE ALL OF OUR NURSES HAVE THE
24 APPROPRIATE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATION. THE NURSE WHO WAS
25 SLEEPING ON THE JOB HOPEFULLY IS NOT THERE ANY MORE. THERE'S



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1 SOME OF THEM THAT, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THEM ON THEIR FACE, IT IS
2 HARD TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE SHOULD NOT OVERREACT. BUT, LIKE I
3 SAID, WE HAVE PEOPLE LIKE DR. FLORES' COMMITTEE, I DON'T KNOW
4 IF THIS GOES ON IN EVERY HOSPITAL BUT IT'S CERTAINLY SOMETHING
5 THAT, HOPEFULLY, THIS ADVISORY COULD PUT IT WITHIN THE CONTEXT
6 OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW THAT SHOULD BE QUICKER AND LONGER.
7 I RESPECT THAT WE HAVE CIVIL SERVICE RULES, I RESPECT THAT WE
8 HAVE TO HONOR OUR EMPLOYEES. I MEAN, ACCUSATION IS EXACTLY
9 THAT, IT HAS TO BE INVESTIGATED. BUT HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO
10 INVESTIGATE SOMEBODY SLEEPING ON THE JOB? EITHER THEY DID OR
11 THEY DIDN'T. AND THERE IS JUST TOO MUCH. AND SO, WHEN YOU GO
12 DEAL WITH MEDICATION ERRORS, WHEN YOU START DEALING WITH HOW
13 MANY ATTENDINGS SHOULD BE RESPONDING, IT BECOMES A VERY
14 COMPLICATED ISSUE AND THERE'S NOBODY BETTER THAN PROBABLY THIS
15 ADVISORY, WITH THE EXPERTISE AND THE ABILITY TO ANALYZE THOSE
16 ISSUES AND WHETHER, IN FACT, THEY REACH CRISIS PROPORTION OR
17 NOT BECAUSE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT IS GOING TO BE THIS
18 ADVISORY WHO HOPEFULLY IS GOING TO GIVE US THE KIND OF INSIGHT
19 THAT WE NEED AS TO WHETHER, IN FACT, WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD
20 AT A WHOLE DIFFERENT APPROACH TO SAVING MARTIN LUTHER KING
21 HOSPITAL. THOSE PATIENT BEDS ARE ESSENTIAL BUT I'VE ALWAYS
22 BEEN CONCERNED AND IT MAY SOUND VERY EXPENSIVE, AND I'M NOT SO
23 SURE ABOUT THE LEGAL ASPECT BUT I KNOW GETTING INFORMATION IS
24 GOING TO BE ESSENTIAL FOR THIS COMMITTEE, ANALYZING THAT
25 INFORMATION, GETTING IT. I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS



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1 INFORMATION FOR NOW WEEKS AND I JUST THINK THAT, IF IT TAKES
2 ME WEEKS-- RIGHT, MR. HENRY? IF IT TAKES ME WEEKS TO GET
3 ANSWERS TO SIMPLE QUESTIONS, I DON'T KNOW, FOR SOMEBODY WHO
4 COMES AND MEETS OCCASIONALLY, HOW EASY IT IS GOING TO BE TO
5 ACCESS INFORMATION FROM THIS BUREAUCRACY. SO I THINK THAT'S
6 THE UNFORTUNATE ASPECT OF IT. BUT, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE
7 ARE REALLY LOOKING TO THIS ADVISORY TO BE ABLE TO GIVE US
8 RECOMMENDATIONS. THEY'RE GOING TO BE BACKED UP WITH THE KIND
9 OF ANALYSIS AND THE KIND OF INTEGRITY THAT TELLS US IN A
10 STRAIGHTFORWARD, HOPEFULLY, IN AN HONEST WAY OF HOW WE SHOULD
11 PROCEED IN THE FUTURE. AND SO THE TIME FRAME IS SHORT AND I
12 THINK THAT THEIR ABILITY TO GET AS MUCH OF IT AND TO GET THOSE
13 ANSWERS IS DIFFICULT. IT'S HARD ENOUGH FOR ME AND EVERYONE
14 KNOWS HOW I AM ABOUT INSISTING ON CERTAIN THINGS, AND I HAVE
15 BEEN ASKING, ON JUST THESE SIMPLE THINGS, JUST THIS SHEET, TO
16 BE UPDATED AND BROUGHT UP TO DATE AND I AM NOW ON WEEK 4. AND
17 I TOLD MR. HENRY THAT, IF I DON'T GET IT BY THE END OF THE
18 DAY, WE WILL SEE HIM HERE NEXT WEEK ANSWERING IN PUBLIC AS TO
19 WHY WE CAN'T GET THEM. I HAVE THAT ABILITY. SOME OF THESE
20 OTHER FOLKS DO NOT AND SO THEY NEED TO GET THE INFORMATION IN
21 ORDER TO UNDERSTAND AND RECOGNIZE WHAT WE NEED TO DO BECAUSE,
22 ONCE YOU GET THE INFORMATION, IT DOESN'T-- IT'S NOT THE END-
23 ALL, IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING OF THAT ANALYSIS OF WHAT TO DO
24 OVERALL. SO I AM HOPEFUL THAT, NEXT WEEK, WE'LL BE ABLE TO
25 APPROVE THESE THINGS BECAUSE WE NEED TO FIND AND CREATE A



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1 MECHANISM THAT THE WORK OF THIS ADVISORY CAN GET DONE
2 EFFECTIVELY IF WE'RE GOING TO TRUST THE RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE
3 END OF THE DAY THAT THEY'RE GOING TO PROVIDE BUT THAT WILL BE
4 BEFORE US NEXT WEEK. NOW, MS. BURKE HAD SOME QUESTIONS AND
5 THEN MR. ANTONOVICH.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE JUST A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. HOW MUCH
8 ASSISTANCE ARE YOU GETTING FROM FOUNDATIONS, FINANCIAL
9 ASSISTANCE?

10

11 **DR. FLORES:** THIS IS ADDRESSED TO ME? AT THIS POINT, WE HAVE NO
12 ASSISTANCE FOR THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD. BASICALLY,
13 NAVIGANT HAS PLAYED THE ROLE OF SUPPORT STAFF.

14

15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** AND WE AGREED AT THE OUTSET THAT THE C.E.O.'S
16 OFFICE WOULD PROVIDE STAFF SUPPORT. WE DO NOT HAVE-- I THINK
17 THE FIRST THING ON HERE, THE SPECIALIZED MEDICAL REVIEWERS, WE
18 DO NOT HAVE EVERY SPECIALTY AND WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO
19 PROVIDE THAT KIND OF OUTSIDE INDEPENDENT REVIEW, WHICH I KNOW
20 THE BOARD HAS BEEN INTERESTED IN FOR PARTICULARLY THE CASES
21 THAT WERE REPORTED EARLIER THIS YEAR IN THE PAPER.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I HAVE-- I JUST RECEIVED THE MEMO
24 TODAY, YOU KNOW, SO I WAS NOT TOTALLY AWARE BUT I HAD ASSUMED



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1 THAT THIS WAS THE SAME \$250,000 THAT WE HAD DISCUSSED AS IT
2 RELATED TO THE FAMILY PRACTICE PLAN.

3

4 **DR. FLORES:** THE FACULTY PRACTICE PLAN?

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** FACULTY PRACTICE PLAN. IS SOME OF THAT INCLUDED IN
7 HERE? THE CONSULTANT WHO IS DOING THAT WORK?

8

9 **DR. FLORES:** NO, THOSE ARE SEPARATE ISSUES. I JUST, AS A POINT
10 OF INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD, ONE OF THE PROJECTS THAT I'VE
11 WORKED ON THROUGH THE STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE FUTURE OF KING
12 DREW WAS TO HELP ESTABLISH A FACULTY PRACTICE PLAN AS A
13 RETENTION STRATEGY FOR PHYSICIANS SO THEY DON'T-- WE DON'T SEE
14 THE EXODUS OF PHYSICIANS BUT ALSO AS AN ACCOUNTABILITY
15 STRATEGY FOR THE QUALITY OF CARE AND TIMECARD ISSUES, ET
16 CETERA. THAT HAS BEEN SUPPORTED BY THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT.
17 IT'S A GRANT THROUGH THE STEERING COMMITTEE WHICH THEN
18 SUBCONTRACTS OUT TO CONSULTANT, JIM DOUGLAS AND ASSOCIATES, TO
19 ASSIST THE EFFORTS OF THE FACULTY PRACTICE PLAN AND I'VE BEEN
20 ACTING AS THE CHAIR OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR STEERING
21 COMMITTEE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THE FOUNDATION IS PROVIDING MONEY FOR THAT
24 PORTION. NOW, I SEE HERE, IN TERMS OF THE ATTORNEY FEES THAT
25 ARE INCLUDED, ONE OF THE ITEMS IS THE FACULTY PRACTICE PLAN IN



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1 TERMS OF WHETHER OR NOT YOU CAN RECEIVE A LUMP SUM. IS THAT
2 THE ISSUE?

3

4 **DR. FLORES:** YEAH, THOSE ARE ISSUES THAT THE-- AS THE HOSPITAL
5 ADVISORY BOARD, WE WANT TO ADDRESS, IS WHAT CAN WE DO TO SOLVE
6 THE MORALE ISSUES WE'RE HEARING FROM PHYSICIANS AT THE MEDICAL
7 CENTER WHO ARE SAYING THAT THEY GET-- THAT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE
8 INTEGRITY AND ARE DOING THE JOB, THEY FEEL LIKE THEY'RE JUST
9 OPPRESSED BY THESE TIMECARDS AND SUBMITTING THEM AND GETTING
10 THEM SIGNED OFF ET CETERA. WE KNOW THERE'S BAD APPLES AND THEY
11 KNOW THAT THERE'S BAD APPLES BUT THEY FEEL THAT IT'S A VERY
12 ONEROUS PROCESS FOR THEM, PARTICULARLY SURGEONS, FOR EXAMPLE,
13 EXCUSE ME, SURGEONS WHO DON'T HAVE THE PREDICTABLE HOURS THAT
14 ANOTHER PHYSICIAN MAY HAVE AND THEY FEEL RESTRICTED TO HAVE TO
15 SUBMIT, IN ADVANCE, A SCHEDULE FOR THEIR WORK WHEN THEY HAVE
16 NO WAY OF PREDICTING AN EMERGENCY-- OR A CASE THAT TAKES THEM
17 BEYOND A CERTAIN NUMBER OF HOURS AT ANOTHER HOSPITAL OR WITHIN
18 THE MEDICAL CENTER ITSELF. THOSE ARE THE ISSUES THAT WE'D LIKE
19 TO EXPLORE IN CONJUNCTION, IN CONCERT WITH WHAT THE STEERING
20 COMMITTEE ON THE FUTURE OF KING DREW IS TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH
21 BUT THEY'RE NOT OVERLAPPING OR DUPLICATIVE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS AN INCONSISTENCY.
24 I GUESS THIS IS THE ONLY HOSPITAL WHERE THE PHYSICIANS ARE NOT
25 PART OF A PRACTICE PLAN OR HAVE SOME MECHANISM OF WHERE THEY



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1 DO HAVE A PRACTICE THAT IS COORDINATED WITH THE HOSPITAL IN
2 OUR SYSTEM. THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT DOESN'T HAVE THAT. BUT I
3 WOULD THINK THAT SOME OF THOSE FUNDS FOR THE CONSULTANT, OTHER
4 THAN THOSE THAT ARE ALREADY BEING PROVIDED BY THE FOUNDATION,
5 PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO THE LEGAL ISSUES, SHOULD BE
6 INCLUDED IN THIS. AND I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S
7 QUESTION ABOUT HIRING LAWYERS TO SEE IF THERE'S A CONFLICT. I
8 THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT RAISES A LOT OF QUESTION BUT
9 HIRING ATTORNEYS WHO ARE GOING TO ADDRESS THE SEPARATE ISSUE
10 THAT IS EXTERNAL TO ANYTHING THAT THE COUNTY REALLY ATTORNEYS
11 WOULD BE ADDRESSING, WHICH IS THIS WHOLE ISSUE OF THE PRACTICE
12 PLAN AND THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND ALSO HOW IT FITS IN WITH
13 THE OTHER MECHANISMS USED BY OTHER HOSPITALS IN THE SYSTEM AND
14 IT'S VERY EASY AT U.S.C. BECAUSE THEY ALL WORK FOR THE
15 UNIVERSITY, SO THE UNIVERSITY MAKES THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEM
16 TO PROVIDE PRACTICE AND MOST OF THOSE DOCTORS TAKE THEIR
17 PATIENTS TO THE NEXT HOSPITAL, TO THE OTHER HOSPITAL. IT'S
18 RIGHT THERE ON THE FACILITY. AT HARBOR, I GATHER IT'S WORKED
19 OUT DIFFERENTLY, I DON'T KNOW, AND I DON'T KNOW HOW IT'S
20 WORKED OUT EXACTLY AT OLIVE VIEW BUT ALL OF THEM HAVE
21 SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN WORKED OUT. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
22 THAT, IF THERE ARE LEGAL FEES, THEY SHOULD BE ADDRESSING THOSE
23 EXTERNAL ISSUES. NOW, I ALSO APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT WE DID
24 ASK YOU AND ASK THIS COMMITTEE, STEERING COMMITTEE TO LOOK AT
25 THE-- AT AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW AS IT RELATES TO PATIENTS AND



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1 WHETHER OR NOT THERE HAD BEEN IMPROPER TREATMENT OF PATIENTS
2 IN SOME OF THOSE CASES THAT WE'VE DISCUSSED QUITE OPENLY AND
3 PUBLICLY AND ALSO SOME OF THOSE ISSUES IN TERMS OF WHETHER, IN
4 FACT, THE APPROACH TO DISCUSSING SOME OF THEIR INDIVIDUAL
5 ISSUES WAS CORRECT. NOW, IF THAT'S A CONFLICT WITH OUR
6 COUNSEL, I DON'T KNOW, I THINK I'D LIKE TO KNOW FROM OUR
7 COUNTY COUNSEL IF THAT IS A CONFLICT. HOWEVER, I ASSUMED THAT
8 THE COUNTY COUNSEL SET UP A LEGAL METHOD WITHIN THE ADVISORY
9 COMMITTEE SO THAT YOU CAN GET THE INFORMATION TO LOOK AT THOSE
10 ISSUES.

11

12 **DR. FLORES:** YES, AND THERE IS, ACTUALLY, A PROCESS, AND WE'RE
13 VERY COMFORTABLE ABIDING BY THAT PROCESS, TO SEEK ADVICE AND
14 COUNSEL FROM THE COUNTY LEGAL COUNSEL AND, IF THERE IS NO
15 OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO RESPOND TO THAT, THEN WE WOULD GO
16 EXTERNALLY.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH. I'D LIKE TO LOOK AT THIS AND ALSO, BUT I
19 REALLY BELIEVE THAT SOME OF THE FACULTY PRACTICE ISSUES SHOULD
20 BE INCLUDED IN THIS, THE FUNDS FOR THEM AND ALSO SOME OF THE
21 LEGAL COSTS SHOULD BE THOSE RELATING TO THE FACULTY PRACTICE
22 PLAN.

23

24 **DR. FLORES:** I APPRECIATE THAT COMMENT. I THINK, YOU KNOW,
25 GIVEN THAT YOU'VE GIVEN US A WEEK TO DELIBERATE A LITTLE BIT



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1 MORE, I THINK WE CAN TAKE THAT INTO ACCOUNT. I APPRECIATE
2 THAT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WE DEVELOPED A ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WHICH
7 I OPPOSED AT THE TIME, I HAD INDICATED THIS WAS A PANDORA'S
8 BOX. AT THAT TIME, DR. GARTHWAITE SAID IT WOULD COST ABOUT
9 \$12,000. \$12,000 FOR TRAVEL, FOR THE PEOPLE TO COME TOGETHER.
10 WE HAD A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME
11 TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT. I THOUGHT DR. GARTHWAITE AND
12 NAVIGANT HAD THE ABILITY TO DO IT THEMSELVES. THE HEALTH
13 DEPARTMENT HAS ABOUT A 260-MILLION-DOLLAR BUDGET, WHICH
14 INCLUDES ADMINISTRATORS TO OVERSEE THESE OPERATIONS. HOWEVER,
15 I WAS NOT SUCCESSFUL IN THAT ARGUMENT AND WE LOST. BUT TODAY
16 WE NOW HAVE A DISCUSSION RELATIVE TO A QUARTER OF A MILLION
17 DOLLAR REQUEST FOR THIS AND I'M SURE, JUST AS THE 12,000-
18 DOLLAR REQUEST WAS A STEP IN THE DIRECTION OF OPENING UP THAT
19 PANDORA'S BOX, TODAY, WE HAVE A LARGE SUM OF REVENUES. BUT MY
20 QUESTION, DR. GARTHWAITE, WHEN YOU DISCUSSED THIS BEFORE THE
21 BOARD AT THE TIME, DID YOU CONSIDER THAT THIS ADVISORY
22 COMMITTEE WOULD NEED TO HIRE AN OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL AND
23 CONSULTANTS?

24

25 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** I HADN'T SEE A NEED, NO, AT THAT TIME.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, MISS ROBERTSON, ARE CHART REVIEWS DONE
3 BY NAVIGANT OR GROUPS UNDER YOUR DIRECTION?

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE ARE DOING CHART REVIEWS. I THINK THE REQUEST
6 HERE IS FOR, LIKE SPECIALIST PHYSICIANS, WHICH WE DON'T
7 PROVIDE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THIS
10 REQUEST AND THE INFORMATION YOU'RE PROVIDING THE DEPARTMENT?

11

12 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE-- I THINK THIS IS SOMEBODY WHO WOULD BE
13 INDEPENDENT OF BOTH NAVIGANT AND THE DEPARTMENT, IS MY
14 UNDERSTANDING IN READING THE MEMO. SO THEY ARE COMPLETELY, YOU
15 KNOW, VOID OF ANY TIES TO THE ORGANIZATION AND I GUESS, AS
16 HECTOR SAID, IT WOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE THE FOX NOT WATCH THE
17 HENHOUSE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE HAVE THE DEPARTMENT, UNDER DR.
20 GARTHWAITE, WHO MAKES A REVIEW, WE'VE HIRED YOU AS AN OUTSIDE
21 CONSULTANT TO MAKE THE REVIEW, AND NOW WE'RE HAVING AN
22 ADVISORY BOARD ASKING THAT THEY HIRE ANOTHER CONSULTANT TO
23 MAKE A FURTHER REVIEW...

24



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1 **KAE ROBERTSON:** THE KEY DIFFERENCE IS THEY WANT LIKE SPECIALTY
2 TO REVIEW LIKE SPECIALTY, SO YOU NEED A LARGE PANEL OF
3 PHYSICIANS. I THINK THAT'S THE KEY DIFFERENCE IN THIS REQUEST.

4
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WE ARE PAYING YOU TO DO, ARE YOU NOT
6 ABLE TO PROVIDE THAT TYPE OF OVERSIGHT?

7
8 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE'RE PROVIDING TWO PHYSICIANS. WE'RE NOT
9 PROVIDING A PANEL FOR ALL THE SUBSPECIALTIES.

10
11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT RELATIVE TO THE 180 INVESTIGATIONS THAT
12 ARE GOING FORTH TODAY BECAUSE OF INCOMPETENCE AND FAILURE TO
13 PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICE AT THAT FACILITY...

14
15 **KAE ROBERTSON:** NO, THE 180 ARE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES, NOT JUST
16 PHYSICIANS, AND THOSE ARE BEING CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 HUMAN RESOURCES.

18
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT, AGAIN, WE ARE MOVING FORWARD IN THAT
20 AREA.

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22 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE ARE.

23
24 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** MM HM.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAS THE RELATIVE OF A POLICY ANALYST, WHICH
2 HAS BEEN REQUESTED, ISN'T TO REVIEW A CLINICAL ADMINISTRATIVE
3 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THE ROLE OF NAVIGANT?

4

5 **KAE ROBERTSON:** WE ARE REVIEWING CLINICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
6 POLICIES WITHIN THE HOSPITAL.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU'RE ALREADY DOING THAT?

9

10 **KAE ROBERTSON:** YES. AND DEVELOPING CLINICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
11 POLICIES. I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY...

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. I UNDERSTAND. AND WE'RE PAYING IT NOW,
14 IT'S ABOUT 14.8 MILLION DOLLARS OR THEREABOUTS TO NAVIGANT TO
15 PROVIDE THIS OUTSIDE EXPERTISE TO BRING THE HOSPITAL UP TO
16 STANDARDS WHERE THE BOARD WILL THEN CONTRACT THAT OUT TO
17 ANOTHER MEDICAL FACILITY. BUT, MR. FORTNER, HAVE YOU REVIEWED
18 THE REQUEST TO HIRE AN OUTSIDE COUNSEL BY THIS ADVISORY BODY?

19

20 **RAY FORTNER:** MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YES, WE HAVE
21 SEEN THE MEMORANDUM.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO YOU NEED TO BE THE LEAD IN HIRING AN
24 OUTSIDE COUNSEL?

25



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1 **RAY FORTNER:** I'M SORRY. I COULDN'T HEAR THE FIRST PART OF YOUR
2 QUESTION.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE TO BE THE LEAD IN HIRING OUTSIDE
5 COUNSEL?

6

7 **RAY FORTNER:** YES, I BELIEVE THAT WOULD BE THE CASE. ANY LEGAL
8 SERVICES TO A COMMISSION...

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN WERE YOU CONSULTED ABOUT HAVING...

11

12 **RAY FORTNER:** ...OR AN ADVISORY BOARD, WE WOULD RETAIN COUNSEL.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN WERE YOU FIRST ADVISED THAT YOU
15 WOULD BE HIRING THIS OUTSIDE CONSULTANT-- OR COUNSEL?

16

17 **RAY FORTNER:** I'M SORRY?

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN DID YOU FIRST KNOW ABOUT YOUR FUTURE
20 OPPORTUNITY OF HIRING AN OUTSIDE COUNSEL FOR THIS ADVISORY?

21

22 **RAY FORTNER:** FOR THE H.A.B.? I WAS SHOWN THE MEMORANDUM THIS
23 MORNING.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS MORNING. SO, OBVIOUSLY, AGAIN, THIS IS A
2 ORGANIZATION THAT HAS OPENED PANDORA'S BOX. THE KING DREW
3 ADVISORY BOARD IS CLAIMING THAT THEY MAY REQUIRE A SECOND
4 LEGAL OPINION IN REVIEWING REGULATORY ISSUES. HOW DOES THIS
5 AFFECT THE COUNTY'S LEGAL POSITION RELATIVE TO LAWSUITS? AND
6 REGARDING POTENTIAL ACTIONS THAT THIS BODY, THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS, WILL TAKE AT KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER?

8

9 **RAY FORTNER:** WELL, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I'VE LOOKED AT THE
10 MEMORANDUM. IT APPEARED TO ME TO BE REQUESTING A COOPERATIVE
11 EFFORT BY THE H.A.B. WITH THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND
12 DOES INDICATE THAT THE LEGAL SERVICES THAT THEY MIGHT BE
13 LOOKING TO WOULD BE, I BELIEVE, THE MEMORANDUM SAYS, "AFTER
14 COUNTY COUNSEL HAS HAD A CHANCE TO ADDRESS ISSUES AT HAND".
15 AND, UNLESS THERE WERE A SITUATION INVOLVING AN ABSOLUTE
16 ETHICAL CONFLICT WHERE WE HAD TO STEP ASIDE, AND IT'S HARD TO
17 SEE THOSE FROM AT LEAST THE FACTS GIVEN IN THIS MEMORANDUM OR
18 THE ISSUES DISCUSSED IN THIS MEMORANDUM, WE BELIEVE THAT ANY
19 LEGAL ADVICE GIVEN THROUGH AN OUTSIDE FIRM WOULD BE DONE IN
20 COORDINATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL. AND SO
21 THERE SHOULD NOT BE A NEGATIVE IMPACT FROM THAT STANDPOINT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO, FROM THE GENESIS OF AN ADVISORY BOARD TO
24 ADVISE DR. GARTHWAITE, RELATIVE TO THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE
25 WITH NAVIGANT AND THE DEPARTMENT, TO BRING KING DREW MEDICAL



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1 CENTER AND DREW UNIVERSITY UP TO STANDARDS, WE NOW ARE
2 CREATING A BODY WITH A LEGAL ARM THAT IS GOING TO BE A SECOND
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO MAKE THE DECISIONS ON HOW THAT
4 HOSPITAL WILL BE GOVERNED OR WILL HAVE ITS SEVERANCE FROM THE
5 COUNTY AS A COUNTY FACILITY.

6

7 **RAY FORTNER:** WELL, IT DOESN'T APPEAR, FROM THE MOTION BY WHICH
8 THE BOARD WAS CREATED AND THE CHARGE TO THAT BOARD, THAT IT
9 WOULD BE A SEPARATE ARM WITH LEGAL COUNSEL. IT IS AN ADVISORY
10 BOARD TO YOUR BOARD AND THE LEGAL ADVICE WOULD BE COORDINATED
11 THROUGH THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE. THE MOTION BY WHICH THE
12 BOARD WAS ORIGINALLY CREATED TALKED IN TERMS OF THE BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS WOULD RETAIN THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY AND
14 CONTROL AT K.D.M.C.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF THERE'S A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION, LEGAL
17 OPINION, WHO ADJUDICATES THAT?

18

19 **RAY FORTNER:** WELL, WE'VE ALWAYS-- THERE IS ALWAYS THE
20 POSSIBILITY OF A LAWYER EXPRESSING A DIFFERENT OPINION FROM--
21 THAN ONE GIVEN FROM SOME OTHER SOURCE. IN THIS INSTANCE, AS
22 YOUR BOARD RETAINS THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE
23 HOSPITAL, YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO LOOK AT ALL OF THAT LEGAL
24 ADVICE. OUR LEGAL ADVICE IS JUST THAT, IT'S IN THE FORM OF
25 OPINIONS, AND THERE MAY BE DIFFERING OPINIONS THAT YOU WOULD



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1 WISH TO WEIGH BUT CERTAINLY THE COUNTY COUNSEL WOULD BE
2 PRESENTING ITS OPINION AS TO THE LEGAL ISSUES YOU'RE ASKING.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** COULD YOU SUMMARIZE, MR. ANTONOVICH? THIS
5 HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR AWHILE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH. THIS LAST QUESTION IS, WHAT IS THE
8 ISSUE DEALING WITH I.R.S., STATE FRANCHISE TAX PORT ISSUES
9 WITH THE INTERNMENT AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS? DOES THE I.R.S.
10 AND STATE FRANCHISE TAX BOARD ISSUES APPLY TO KING DREW?
11 THAT'S ON PAGE 3.

12

13 **DR. FLORES:** MR. ANTONOVICH, IF I MAY.

14

15 **RAY FORTNER:** I'M NOT CERTAIN WHAT IS MEANT BY THAT ISSUE. I
16 MEAN, THERE ARE-- THERE WOULD-- THERE COULD BE I.R.S. OR
17 FRANCHISE TAX PORT ISSUES IN TERMS OF TAX OF AN OUTSIDE
18 OPERATOR OR AN OUTSIDE RESOURCE OR A NONPROFIT CORPORATION
19 BUT...

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I THINK YOU HAVE A ANSWER BEHIND YOU.

22

23 **RAY FORTNER:** THE ISSUE I'M, I'M GETTING A LITTLE INFORMATION
24 ON HERE RELATES TO THE PRIVATE ENTITY OPERATING VERSUS THE
25 COUNTY AND WE WOULD HAVE GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS ISSUES AND THERE



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1 MAY BE ISSUES OF A TAX STATUS THAT ARE IMPACTED FOR A PRIVATE
2 OPERATOR OR A PRIVATE VENDOR THAT WE WOULD NOT BE FACED WITH.
3 WE HAVE OUR OWN ISSUES OF HOW FUNDS ARE EXPENDED.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER IS OUTSOURCED,
6 WHAT WOULD BE THE...

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MICHAEL? MICHAEL? YOU PROMISED THIS WOULD
9 BE THE LAST QUESTION.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS PART OF THAT QUESTION. THIS IS THE
12 LAST ONE. IF OUTSOURCED, WHAT WILL BE THE DEPARTMENT'S OPTIONS
13 REGARDING PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE AND L.A. COUNTY'S REQUIREMENTS
14 UNDER SECTION 17000? IT'S ON PAGE 2 OF THIS...

15

16 **RAY FORTNER:** I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTY'S OBLIGATION
17 UNDER 17000 WOULD BE AFFECTED ONE WAY OR ANOTHER BY THE
18 OUTSOURCING. OUR OBLIGATION REMAINS WHAT IT IS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHY IS THIS PART OF THAT...

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WISH TO
23 ADDRESS THIS ITEM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE YOU DO THAT, I JUST HAVE
2 ONE FOLLOW-UP QUESTION.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY. THIS IS BEING CONTINUED FOR A
7 WEEK BUT I THINK WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHERE-- YOU KNOW, WE
8 DON'T WANT TO HAVE THE SAME DISCUSSION NEXT WEEK. THAT'D BE
9 KIND OF-- HAVE YOU DISCUSSED ANY OF YOUR LEGAL ISSUES WITH THE
10 COUNTY COUNSEL BEFORE THIS MORNING?

11

12 **DR. FLORES:** NO. THIS MORNING. WE DID NOT GET A CHANCE TO
13 COMMUNICATE BEFOREHAND.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU HAVE MADE AN ASSUMPTION THAT THE
16 COUNTY COUNSEL COULD NOT PROVIDE YOU WITH ANY OF THESE ANSWERS
17 TO ANY OF THESE LEGAL QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE IN YOUR MEMO?

18

19 **DR. FLORES:** NO. ACTUALLY, WHAT ORIGINATED THAT PART OF THE
20 REQUEST WAS LOOKING AT OPPORTUNITIES WHERE A SECOND OPINION,
21 IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, MAY BE HELPFUL. I KIND OF LOOK AT IT
22 FROM A CLINICAL PERSPECTIVE. IF A PATIENT HAS A VERY
23 COMPLICATED DISEASE AND THEY'RE IN COMPETENT, THEY'RE IN VERY
24 GOOD, COMPETENT HANDS, THEY STILL MAY REQUEST A SECOND OPINION
25 FOR CERTAIN ISSUES. THE REASON FOR THAT REQUEST, FROM MY



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1 PERSPECTIVE, IS THAT WE'RE STILL DEFINING THE TERRITORY FOR
2 THIS HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
3 DO IT CORRECTLY, THAT WE RESPOND TO YOUR WISHES OF DEVELOPING
4 AN ADVISORY BOARD THAT REALLY FUNCTIONS CONGRUENT WITH YOUR
5 DESIRES AND SOMETIMES THAT MAY REQUIRE HAVING AN EXTERNAL
6 SECOND OPINION ON CERTAIN ISSUES. AND, AGAIN, IT'S NOT A
7 NEGATIVE COMMENT ON COUNTY COUNSEL'S ABILITIES. IT'S JUST
8 REALLY HAVING THAT OPPORTUNITY.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MY PROBLEM WITH THAT IS THAT EVERY ISSUE
11 THAT COMES BEFORE THE COUNTY COUNSEL COULD RESULT IN A SECOND
12 OPINION. THERE'S NOT AN ISSUE THAT WOULDN'T-- THERE ISN'T AN
13 ATTORNEY IN AMERICA WHO WOULDN'T BE WILLING TO GET PAID TO
14 GIVE A SECOND OPINION, A THIRD OPINION, A FOURTH OPINION. BUT
15 I THOUGHT THAT YOU HAD GONE THROUGH SOME KIND OF A PROCESS
16 WHERE YOU ENGAGED HAD THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND DETERMINED THAT
17 SOME OF THESE THINGS THAT YOU NEED ANSWERS TO WERE NOT
18 PROVIDABLE BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL. AND APPARENTLY THAT HASN'T
19 BEEN THE CASE. SO EVEN ON THE QUESTION THAT MS. BURKE RAISED
20 ON THE DOCTOR'S PLAN AND ALL THAT SORT OF THING, I DON'T KNOW
21 WHETHER YOUR OFFICE HAS THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE LEGAL ADVICE ON
22 THAT OR ANY OF THE OTHER POINTS THAT ARE IN THE MEMORANDUM.
23 BUT, BEFORE WE WOULD SPEND ANY MONEY ON LEGAL ADVICE, I WOULD
24 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT OPTION WAS EXHAUSTED. I THINK, IT
25 APPEARS TO ME, THAT, ON THE LEGAL ISSUE ONLY, AND I'M ONLY



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1 TALKING ABOUT THE LEGAL COUNSEL ISSUE, THAT SOMEBODY MADE A
2 DECISION THAT YOU WANTED-- THAT YOU NEEDED A SECOND OPINION
3 BEFORE YOU EVER HAD THE FIRST OPINION. AND I HAVE TO SAY THAT
4 I THINK THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE, ESPECIALLY IN THIS AREA
5 WITH MISS KAPUR AND THAT TEAM OF PEOPLE, IS PRETTY GOOD, IS
6 QUITE GOOD AND SO GOOD THAT I THINK THAT, IF THEY DIDN'T KNOW
7 THE ANSWER TO A QUESTION, THEY WOULD BE MAN OR WOMAN ENOUGH TO
8 SAY, "THAT'S SOMETHING WE CAN'T ANSWER, WE MAY NEED TO GET
9 SOME OTHER ADVICE." BUT USUALLY THEIR ADVICE HAS BEEN DECISIVE
10 AND SOUND AND WE'VE FOLLOWED THAT ADVICE REGULARLY. SO I'M
11 DISAPPOINTED THAT THE ASSUMPTION WAS MADE THAT YOU WOULD NEED
12 A SECOND OPINION. THAT'S WHAT I SAID AT THE OUTSET, THAT IT
13 APPEARED TO ME THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING HERE THAT DIDN'T MEET
14 THE EYE AS FAR AS THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE IS CONCERNED AND
15 I JUST THINK IT'S PREMATURE. ON THE OTHER ISSUE, AS I SAID--
16 YOU KNOW. SO I HOPE THAT, NEXT WEEK, I DON'T KNOW WHAT--
17 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. MS. MOLINA SAYS IT'S GOING TO BE
18 CONTINUED, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS BACK NEXT WEEK. I THINK,
19 IF ALL WE'RE GOING TO DO IS HAVE THE SAME THING BACK NEXT
20 WEEK, THEN LET'S VOTE ON IT NOW. IF THERE IS-- I'D LIKE TO
21 SUGGEST THAT, IF IT'S COMING BACK NEXT WEEK, THAT ONE OF THE
22 OPTIONS WE LOOK AT IS EXCISING THE LEGAL COUNSEL ISSUE
23 COMPLETELY AND DEAL WITH THE ITEM NUMBER 1 IN YOUR MEMORANDUM
24 WITH SPECIFICITY AND I'D LIKE TO GET THE INPUT OF SOME OF YOUR
25 COLLEAGUES ON THE H.A.B. I'M JUST SAYING AN OPTION AND I'LL



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1 KEEP AN OPEN MIND ON ITEM 3. I DON'T KNOW-- I'LL JUST KEEP AN
2 OPEN MIND ON THAT. BUT I WOULD LIKE THAT TO BE PART OF THE--
3 YOU KNOW, PART OF THE OPTION THAT'S BROUGHT BACK. OTHERWISE,
4 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION AGAIN. I REALLY THINK THIS
5 IS A VERY CRITICAL MOMENT. MR. ANTONOVICH IS RIGHT, AS MUCH AS
6 IT PAINS ME TO SAY IT, HE'S... [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...HE'S RIGHT. WE DIDN'T OPEN A PANDORA'S
9 BOX WHEN WE APPROVED THIS BOARD BUT, IF WE DON'T WATCH WHAT
10 WE'RE DOING NOW, THEN WE WILL HAVE OPENED A PANDORA'S BOX.
11 AND, IF EVERY SINGLE ISSUE, WE'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS BEFORE, IF
12 EVERY SINGLE DECISION AND ISSUE BASED ON LEGAL OPINIONS,
13 ADVICE FROM OUR COUNTY COUNSEL IS SECOND-GUESSED, WE WILL
14 NEVER MAKE A DECISION. THE URGENCY IS CLEAR BUT HIRING MORE
15 ATTORNEYS TO GIVE US SECOND OPINIONS IS NOT A WAY TO ADDRESS
16 URGENCY. IT'S A WAY TO EXACERBATE IT. I'VE HAD ENOUGH LEGAL
17 OPINIONS IN MY LIFETIME TO LAST ME A LIFETIME. IF THERE'S A
18 SPECIFIC ISSUE, WE'LL DO IT. IF THEY CAN'T HANDLE IT, FINE.
19 BUT TO HAVE A BOTTOMLESS PIT, AN OPEN DOOR TO, YOU KNOW, DRAW
20 DOWN ON THAT KIND OF MONEY IS NOT WHAT I THINK WE WANT TO DO.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DR. FLORES, I WOULD RECOMMEND
23 THAT YOU WOULD MEET WITH MR. FORTNER AND MAYBE MR. YAROSLAVSKY
24 GET FURTHER CLARIFICATION. I DON'T KNOW, IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO
25 MEET WITH MR. ANTONOVICH. THIS IS A BOARD THAT'S NEVER HEARD A



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1 SECOND OPINION FROM A LAWYER, OF COURSE. ALL RIGHT. LET'S
2 HEAR-- WE HAVE PEOPLE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US: PETER
3 BAXTER, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY AND
4 GREGORY ROBERTS. AND IF THEY WOULD ADDRESS S-1 AND 27-D AT THE
5 SAME TIME, WE'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL.

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
8 CLAVREUL. ANYWAY, HERE WE ARE AGAIN. YOU KNOW, WE WERE
9 PROMISED THAT WONDERFUL H.A.B. WOULD NOT COST US ANY MONEY.
10 AND HERE THEY'RE HERE ASKING US FOR A QUARTER OF A MILLION
11 DOLLARS. I MEAN, EXCUSE ME. DO YOU GUYS EVER LEARN? YOU KNOW,
12 THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT PICTURE. HERE WE HAVE, FIRST
13 OF ALL, H.A.B. VIOLATED THE BROWN ACT. THEY CAME TO THAT
14 DECISION TO BRING AN ISSUE TO THE BOARD WAS NOT BROUGHT IN AN
15 OPEN MEETING. SO I WOULD EVEN CHALLENGE THAT RECOMMENDATION.
16 ALSO, HERE THEY ARE STATING, TO ASSIST IN THE COMPLETION OF
17 THE TASK WITHIN THE EXPANDED TIME FRAME. THEY KNEW FROM THE
18 BEGINNING IT WAS AN EMERGENCY. THEIR BOARD WAS CREATED TO MOVE
19 RAPIDLY. TO TELL US ALL OF A SUDDEN IT'S URGENT IS ABSURD.
20 THEY DID NOT MEET FOR ALMOST A MONTH AND A HALF AND ALL OF A
21 SUDDEN IT'S BECOMING URGENT. TO ASK FOR A QUARTER OF A MILLION
22 DOLLARS IS APPALLING AND THEY ARE ASKING FOR INDEPENDENT
23 MEDICAL REVIEWERS AND SO ON. THEY DON'T NEED AN INDEPENDENT
24 MEDICAL REVIEWER. THERE IS STANDARD OF CARE. STANDARD OF CARE
25 ARE PUBLISHED AND PART OF THE SCOPE OF WORK OF NAVIGANT WAS TO



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1 REVIEW THE PERFORMANCE OF PHYSICIANS, STANDARD OF CARE IN THE
2 COMMUNITY EXISTS, SALARY AND THEREFORE UTILIZATION OR ANYBODY
3 WHO CAN READ. YOU DON'T NEED TO BE AN EXPERT IN A SPECIFIC
4 FIELD TO JUDGE THOSE. THAT IS A BIG PROBLEM ALREADY. TODAY, WE
5 SPEND A LOT OF TIME AGAIN FOR NOT GETTING ANY ANSWER. YOU HAD
6 MISS ROBERTSON, YOU HAD DR. GARTHWAITE, WHO, AS USUAL, GIVE
7 YOU THE SAME ANSWER: "WE'RE WORKING ON IT, WE ARE IN THE
8 PROCESS." TODAY, I HAVE NOT HEARD ONE SPECIFIC TANGIBLE
9 INFORMATION OF WHAT'S GOING ON. WE STILL DON'T KNOW HOW MANY
10 TRAVELING NURSES ARE BEING UTILIZED AT KING DREW, WE DON'T
11 KNOW HOW MUCH WE'RE PAYING THEM. WE REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT'S
12 GOING ON. AND, BY THE WAY, WHERE IS THE REPORT FOR THE MONTH
13 OF APRIL FROM NAVIGANT? WE STILL HAVE THE MARCH REPORT. WE ARE
14 MAY 24TH. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT REPORT AND I THINK IT'S
15 ABOUT TIME WE STOPPED WASTING MONEY. AND FOR SOMEBODY WHO IS
16 HERE ON A CONTRACT FOR AN EMERGENCY PROBLEM TO GO ON VACATION
17 WHEN WE'RE PAYING 14.8 FREAKING MILLION DOLLARS, WE'RE PAYING
18 THAT GUY \$67,000 A MONTH TO BE HERE AND HE GO ON A VACATION?
19 DO YOUR JOB. MAKE THEM DO THEIRS.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. BAXTER.

22

23 **PETER BAXTER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,
24 MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND
25 I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS



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1 AGENDA ITEM PROVIDES FOR A REPORT ON THE STATUS OF REFORM AT
2 KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER. THERE IS A COMPARISON TO BE DRAWN
3 BETWEEN THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC DISCUSSION OVER THE KING DREW
4 MEDICAL CENTER AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
5 ANGELES. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THESE TWO PUBLIC RESOURCES IN
6 TERMS OF PUBLIC SCRUTINY IS LITTLE SHORT OF AMAZING. THE KING
7 DREW DISCUSSION HAS ATTRACTED AND THAT DISCUSSION CONTINUES TO
8 ATTRACT THE MOST CAREFUL STUDY BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
9 THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NAVIGANT AND THE NEWS MEDIA,
10 PARTICULARLY THE LOS ANGELES TIMES. IN COMPARISON, THERE
11 APPEARS TO BE NO ONGOING STUDY OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE FIRE
12 DEPARTMENT, EVEN THOUGH THE DISASTER OF 9/11 WAS, AS IT
13 REMAINS, A PUBLIC SPECTACLE OF VOCATION, THAT OF FIREFIGHTING,
14 BEING REVEALED AS A VOCATION IN TOTAL SHAMBLES. ABSOLUTELY
15 NOTHING ABOUT THE RESPONSE OF FIREFIGHTING AS A VOCATION MAY
16 BE RECITED IN FAVOR OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
17 NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT ON 9/11. THE WHOLE UNDERTAKING, THAT
18 IS, THE RESPONSE OF THE NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT TO THAT EVENT
19 WAS A TOTAL, UTTER FAILURE. HERE IN LOS ANGELES, WE FACE
20 ANOTHER FIRE SEASON WHEN WE MAY EXPECT TO SUFFER THE LOSS OF
21 LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE ON A SCALE UNKNOWN IN ANY OTHER
22 PART OF THE WORLD, ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND
23 I THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS MITCHELL.



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2 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** I'M MISS AUTRY.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS AUTRY, I'M SORRY.

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6 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY, NOT MITCHELL
7 STILL. STILL A WOMAN, THANK GOT. THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER
8 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING THIS
9 ISSUE. I'VE BEEN WATCHING WITHOUT COMMENT FOR THE LAST FEW
10 MONTHS YOU ALL DISPUTING OR DEBATING OR DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE
11 WITH THE REPORTS GIVEN BY NAVIGANT, AND I KNOW IT'S A VERY
12 DELICATE ISSUE. I'M HOLISTIC. YOU KNOW, I BELIEVE IN HEALING
13 ARTS AND PREVENTION OF DISEASE RATHER THAN JUST THE TREATMENT
14 AND THE PURSUIT OF CAPITAL, WHICH IS WHAT THIS COUNTRY IS--
15 WHICH IS WHAT THIS MEDICAL SYSTEM IN THIS COUNTRY IS BASED
16 UPON BUT FOR THOSE THAT DO USE THIS FACILITY, I KNOW THAT YOU--
17 - I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE WEIGHING ALL OF THE INFORMATION PUT
18 BEFORE YOU AND I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE DOING THAT AS CAREFULLY
19 AND AS CRITICALLY AS YOU CAN, BUT I HAVE TO COMMENT THAT I'M
20 THOROUGHLY, THOROUGHLY UNIMPRESSED WITH THE INCOMPETENCY OF
21 THE LEADERSHIP OF NAVIGANT. I THINK THE PROBLEM LIES WITH
22 GARTHWAITE. I'VE BEEN WATCHING. I'VE JUST BEEN WAITING TO HEAR
23 SOMETHING MEANINGFUL. I'M NOT AN EXPERT, LIKE GENEVIEVE
24 CLAVREUL, BUT I HAVE TO CONCUR WITH HER. I HAVEN'T HEARD
25 ANYTHING OF VALUE THAT'S REALLY BEEN PUT FORTH TODAY OR REALLY



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1 TANGIBLE IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MEETINGS THAT I'VE BEEN IN
2 ATTENDANCE AND I THINK IT'S PROBABLY WASTING A LOT OF TIME AND
3 MONEY. I MEAN, I THINK IT'S, THE PROBLEM, LIKE I HAD JUST
4 STATED, LIES WITHIN THE LEADERSHIP OF NAVIGANT AND I THINK
5 THAT YOU SHOULD APPOINT SOMEONE WHO IS CAPABLE OF EXPEDITING
6 THEIR-- THE GOAL OR JUST PRESENTING THE INFORMATION THAT YOU
7 NEED. I KNOW THAT YOU GET ENOUGH MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL
8 GOVERNMENT. WHY CAN'T YOU JUST USE IT TO EMPLOY AN ADEQUATELY
9 QUALIFIED AND TRAINED STAFF TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE
10 COMMUNITY? I WOULD THINK IT WOULD BE VERY SIMPLE IN MEETING,
11 AT LEAST IN ESTABLISHING THAT GOAL AND REACHING IT IF YOU HAD
12 ADEQUATE LEADERSHIP. AND ALSO, I THINK THAT, AGAIN, THE BOARD
13 OR NAVIGANT OR THE-- THAT PARTICULAR BODY SHOULD REPRESENT
14 DEMOGRAPHICALLY AND RACIALLY THE PEOPLE-- THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF
15 THE RACIAL COMPONENT OF THE PEOPLE IN MARTIN LUTHER KING'S
16 AREA, WHICH IS MOSTLY LATIN AND BLACK. I DON'T SEE ANY BLACK
17 PEOPLE ON THAT BOARD. I SEE DR. FLORES. I DON'T KNOW IN WHAT
18 CAPACITY HE SERVES BUT I THINK THAT THAT WOULD PROBABLY ADD TO
19 THE REAL CONCERN THAT THAT BODY WOULD BRING BEFORE YOU IN
20 BEING EFFECTIVE IN EXECUTING THEIR TASK, BECAUSE I DON'T-- I
21 JUST DON'T SEE THAT EFFECTIVENESS AND I'M JUST AN OBSERVER, OF
22 COURSE, AND I HOPE THAT YOU TAKE MY COMMENTS AS WELL AS
23 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL'S AND MR. BAXTER'S INTO CONSIDERATION
24 BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE A WASTE OF TIME AND MONEY AND THERE'S
25 ADEQUATE MONEY, OBVIOUSLY, ALLOCATED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATELY



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1 TRAINED AND QUALIFIED STAFF AT MARTIN LUTHER KING. IT JUST
2 SEEMS LIKE YOU DON'T WANT TO DO THAT FOR SOME REASON. THANK
3 YOU.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. ROBERTSON.

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7 **GREGORY ROBERTS:** GREGORY ROBERTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. 5255
8 BLAKELY AVENUE, NUMBER 20, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, 91601,
9 818-761-2011. MENTIONED A LADY THAT WAS SPEAKING MENTIONED THE
10 BARBARIC PSYCHIATRIC INDUSTRY AND PART OF THE PROBLEM TODAY,
11 IN FACT, IS RUN BY A DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD, A DOCTOR OF SOCIAL
12 WORK, WHO RUNS ONE OF THE MOST CORRUPT PARTS OF THE OVERALL
13 HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WHICH SPLIT OFF IN 1980 AND
14 MEMBERS, EITHER CURRENT OR FORMER MEMBERS OF SUPERVISOR
15 YAROSLAVSKY'S STAFF HAVE SAID THAT THEY HAVE SOME SHADY
16 CONTRACTS. THEY'RE ALSO INVOLVED AND I THINK PERHAPS ONE THING
17 TO DO MIGHT BE TO HAVE TO PUT BACK IN THE MENTAL HEALTH-- THE
18 WHOLE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT WITHOUT HAVING MEETINGS AT THE
19 DEEDEE HIRSCH CENTER IN CULVER CITY ON APRIL 28TH, AND I'M
20 TOLD ANYBODY WHO SAYS ANYTHING CRITICAL ABOUT THEM AT THEIR
21 BOARD MEETINGS, THEY'RE GOING TO USE THE SAFETY POLICE TO SIC
22 THEM ON THEM. THIS IS ROUTINE FOR THEIR PRACTICES, AMONGST
23 OTHER THINGS, INCLUDING USING THEIR-- MISUSING OR ILLEGALLY
24 USING A PREP TEAM. I HAD, LIKE, THE EPILEPTIC SEIZURE AT LEAST
25 THAT ON MAY 11TH, 2005, TAKEN OUT BY CITY ATTORNEY OPINION TO



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1 PROVIDENCE, ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL IN BURBANK AND THEY SHOW UP,
2 THIS PREP TEAM AND THEY'RE GETTING KICKBACKS AND PAYOFFS. THIS
3 IS A PERSON WEARING BLUE JEANS, ABOUT SIX-FOOT-ONE WHO-- I
4 DON'T-- MYSELF AND THE STAFF THERE DIDN'T THINK HE'D HAD A
5 BATH FOR A MONTH. THEY TRIED TO MISUSE THE BURBANK POLICE AND,
6 AFTER I CONTACTED THE WATCH COMMANDER, THE TWO OFFICERS CAME
7 OUT AND THEY VERY POLITE AND PROFESSIONAL FROM THE BURBANK
8 POLICE AND THEN SUDDENLY HE AND HIS PREP TEAM TAKE OFF. ONE--
9 THIS IS RUN BY AN ANTHONY BEILITZ, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE
10 COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THEY THINK THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO
11 VIOLATE THE AMERICANS FOR THE DISABLED ACT. AND THIS IS
12 ROUTINE WITH THESE PEOPLE. AND I HOPE THE DAY COMES WHEN
13 ACCORDING TO ONE LAWYER IN TOWN, 28 CODE OF FEDERAL
14 REGULATIONS, THE U.S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND FEDERAL BUREAU OF
15 INVESTIGATIONS FACT GATHERERS CAN PROSECUTE AND CONVICT THESE
16 PEOPLE RUNNING THE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT WHICH YOU
17 ARE FAMILIAR WITH. IT'S OLIVE VIEW AND THE BRUTALITY THAT GOES
18 ON THERE AGAINST PATIENTS, IT GOES ON AT MARTIN LUTHER KING
19 HOSPITAL, IT GOES ON AT HUDSON AND HUMPHREY, IT GOES ON ALL
20 OVER THESE COUNTY PLACES AND THESE GUARDS OUTSIDE HERE SAID,
21 "WE DON'T CARE IF YOU HAVE A SEIZURE IN HERE OR NOT." YOU
22 CAN'T HAVE, AGAIN, NO FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED FOR THE PUBLIC AND
23 THIS IS WHAT I WAS TOLD HERE. YET I CAN GO TO THE LOS ANGELES
24 POLICE COMMISSION TODAY. IT SAYS HERE, TITLE 2 OF THE
25 AMERICANS FOR THE DISABLED ACT, THEY WILL...



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. ROBERTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
3 ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES ALL THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY. THIS WAS
4 ONLY A REPORT TO RECEIVE AND FILE. THAT TAKES CARE OF ITEM S-
5 1. THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE US IS ITEM NUMBER 17. IS THAT CORRECT?
6 17. LET'S SEE. WE SHOULD GO THROUGH OUR BOARD SPECIALS. I
7 THINK MR. YAROSLAVSKY WAS UP FIRST.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SECOND DISTRICT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SECOND DISTRICT. MS. BURKE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M UP? I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
14 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THELMA LEE, WHO PASSED AWAY MAY 18TH AT
15 THE AGE OF 97. SHE WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
16 DISTRICT AND LOVED WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE. SHE BECAME A
17 DISTINGUISHED OLDER VOLUNTEER WITH THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
18 DISTRICT DOVE PROGRAM AND A MEMBER OF MOUNT ZION MISSIONARY
19 BAPTIST CHURCH SINCE 1937. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY
20 HER CHILDREN, VERA MAE LEE, ALMA VAUGHN AND JAMES LEE, JR. AND
21 LA KENDRA DICKERSON, WHO WAS SHOT AND KILLED WHILE HELPING A
22 NEIGHBOR MOVE ON MAY 11TH, 2004. SHE WAS 19 YEARS OLD AND A
23 SENIOR AT MANUAL ARTS HIGH SCHOOL, WAS VERY ACTIVE WITH HER
24 CHURCH. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY, HER MOTHER AND HER
25 AUNT PAULINE, WHO WAS THE I.S.D. MAIL DELIVERY PERSON FOR THE



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1 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. AND JOSE RICARDO GOMEZ,
2 WHO PASSED AWAY OVER THE WEEKEND. HE WAS A HORTICULTURE
3 MAINTENANCE PERSON IN OUR OFFICE FOR MANY YEARS. HE LEAVES TO
4 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, MARIA, HIS PARENTS, NESTOR GOMEZ
5 AND ROSA BELTRAN, AND HIS BROTHERS AND SISTERS, ERNIE, MARIO,
6 CAROLINA, HUGO, THELMA AND JAIME AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER HE
7 TAKES CARE OF EVERYONE'S PLANTS ON THE FLOOR BUT HE CERTAINLY
8 MAINTAINED OURS VERY WELL AND I WOULD ASK ALL MEMBERS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** AND HE WAS ALWAYS A VERY, VERY PLEASANT PERSON.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. ARE YOU HOLDING ANY ITEMS,
15 MISS BURKE?

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, I HAVE A MOTION. ON MARCH 22ND, THE BOARD
18 APPROVED A REWARD OFFER OF \$5,000 FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO
19 THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE
20 MURDER OF NORMAN EUGENE WATTRY. HE WAS SHOT TO DEATH ON
21 FEBRUARY 8TH AT 9:00 P.M. AT A STRIP MALL PARKING LOT ON
22 FLORENCE AND CENTRAL AVENUE IN THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA.
23 THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE THE
24 EXTENSION OF THE \$5,000 REWARD IN RETURN FOR INFORMATION
25 LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE



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1 FOR THE MURDER OF NORMAN EUGENE WATTRY. WE'VE BEEN REQUESTED
2 TO ASK THIS BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BECAUSE THEY'RE STILL
3 WORKING ON IT AND THEY FEEL AS THOUGH THEY CAN ACHIEVE SOME
4 SUCCESS. I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND AGAIN, THIS IS APPROPRIATE. IT'S ONLY
7 A REPORT, RIGHT?

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. IT'S A EXTENSION REWARD.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE,
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY ITEMS. WERE THERE ANY OTHER
16 ITEMS THAT WERE BEING HELD?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, WE DO HAVE, JUST TO GO BACK, THIS IS
19 ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5, IF WE COULD DO THAT ON THE MAJORITY
20 PROTEST.

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22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES. MADAM CHAIR, AFTER TABULATING THE
23 BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY
24 PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF
25 ASSESSMENTS FOR SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES WITHIN THE COUNTY



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1 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
2 DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AS A RESULT, IT
3 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO
4 ANNEX AND LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES WITHIN
5 THE COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY
6 LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND ACCEPT
7 THE EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM THE
8 ANNEXATION OF TERRITORIES. SO IF WE COULD HAVE A MOTION.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MS. BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
13 YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THEN ON AGENDA 6, MADAM CHAIR, AFTER
16 TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT A
17 MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS FOR THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVY
18 OF ASSESSMENTS FOR PETITION NUMBER 129903 WITHIN THE COUNTY
19 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 10006 AND COUNTY
20 LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AND DIAMOND BAR
21 ZONES AND THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE
22 REMAINING TERRITORIES. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
23 FOR THE BOARD TO TERMINATE THE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION,
24 LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS AND PROPERTY TAX FOR TRANSFER PROCEEDINGS
25 FOR PETITION NUMBER 129903 AND ADOPT RESOLUTION TO ANNEX AND



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3 LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED AND DIAMOND BAR ZONES
4 AND ACCEPT THE EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING
5 FROM THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORIES.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS IS IN MR. KNABE AND MR.
8 ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICTS, SO, MR. KNABE, WOULD YOU MOVE THAT?

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT WOULD HAVE TO TERMINATE
13 THE PROCEEDINGS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S
14 NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ALL RIGHT. MS. BURKE,
15 DID YOU HAVE ANOTHER ITEM THAT YOU SAID...

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** NO. I WAS JUST GOING TO CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 17.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM NUMBER 17.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I HAD HELD THAT ITEM. I HAD A COUPLE
22 QUESTIONS. IF WE COULD HAVE MR. HARTL OUT HERE, SOMEONE FROM
23 THE DEPARTMENT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WHO ARE YOU ASKING TO COME OUT
2 TO ASK? HERE WE GO. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST A COUPLE QUESTIONS THERE, JIM. CAN YOU GIVE
5 ME SOME EXAMPLES THE NEW ZONING REGULATIONS THAT MIGHT BE
6 APPLIED RETROACTIVELY ON EXISTING BUSINESSES UNDER THIS
7 LEGISLATION?

8

9 **JAMES HARTL:** SUPERVISOR, YES, WE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND, AS
10 THE BOARD KNOWS, SINCE 1992, NEW ON-SITE AS WELL AS OFF-SITE
11 FACILITIES HAVE REQUIRED CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS. TYPICAL
12 CONDITIONS THAT GET ADDED BY THE COMMISSION DEPENDS ON THE
13 TYPE OF ALCOHOL SALES, GAS STATION, SUPERMARKET, LIQUOR STORE
14 BUT THE TYPICAL CONDITIONS INCLUDE HOURS OF OPERATION,
15 REQUIRING THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL TRAINING SESSION FOR
16 THE PEOPLE THAT ARE EITHER THE SERVERS AND/OR PEOPLE DOING THE
17 SALES, NO LOITERING ON SITE, NO ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION ON SITE.
18 AT TIMES, THEY HAVE REQUIRED A SECURITY PERSON TO BE PRESENT.
19 NO SINGLE CAN SALES. THIS IS NORMALLY APPLIED TO A SUPERMARKET
20 AND/OR GAS STATION. PERCENTAGE OF SHELF SPACE THAT WOULD BE
21 ALLOCATED TO ALCOHOL SALES, THE NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS, POSTING
22 PHONE NUMBERS IN TERMS OF IF PEOPLE HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE USE
23 OF WHO THEY CAN CALL, SHERIFF, US, THOSE TYPE OF THINGS. THOSE
24 ARE KIND OF THE TYPICAL CONDITIONS THAT APPLY TO EXISTING
25 C.U.P.S.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS, AS IT RELATES TO SMALL BUSINESSES, COULD
3 THIS BE AN UNDUE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ON THEM?

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5 **JAMES HARTL:** DEPENDING ON HOW IT IS SET UP, I GUESS THE DEVIL
6 IS IN THE DETAILS. DEPENDING ON HOW THE ORDINANCE WOULD BE
7 ENACTED, THE BILL THAT'S BEFORE YOU WOULD ALLOW LOCAL
8 JURISDICTIONS TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO
9 PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE COMMISSION AND THE BOARD. ONE
10 POSSIBILITY COULD BE THAT WE REQUIRE EVERY EXISTING ALCOHOL
11 SALES TO HAVE A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. IN THAT CASE, THERE
12 WOULD BE SOME SOMETIME CONSUMING...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, IT'S SORT OF LIKE CHANGING-- ISN'T
15 THIS LIKE CHANGING THE RULES IN MIDSTREAM, REALLY?

16

17 **JAMES HARTL:** WELL, BASICALLY, BUT IT DOES ALLOW THE COUNTY THE
18 OPPORTUNITY THAT, IF WE HAVE PROBLEM ESTABLISHMENTS THAT WE
19 DON'T REGULATE TODAY, THAT WE WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 REGULATE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, JUST FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, I JUST THINK
23 THERE'S A LOT OF DETAILS TO BE UNDERSTOOD ABOUT THIS AND
24 THEY'RE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS RECOMMENDATION. I'D
25 JUST ASK THAT I'LL ABSTAIN.



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SUP. ANTONOVICH: MADAM CHAIR, THE REASON FOR THIS IS THAT IT
ALLOWS THE COUNTY AN AUTHORITY WHICH WE CURRENTLY DON'T HAVE
TO IMPOSE REASONABLE RESTRICTIONS, SUCH AS HOURS OF
OPERATIONS, THE PROHIBITIONS OF LOITERING, AND ON-SITE
CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL. AND, IN PART OF OUR AREA THAT I
REPRESENT, THIS IS A PROBLEM AND THE COUNTY IS HELPLESS AND,
AS A RESULT OF THAT, SENATOR JACK SCOTT HAS INTRODUCED THIS
LEGISLATION AND IT DOES HAVE THE SUPPORT FROM A NUMBER OF
CITIES, INCLUDING PASADENA, MONTEREY PARK, LAKEWOOD, THE CITY
OF LOS ANGELES, BURBANK, AND BELLFLOWER AND OTHER AREAS THAT
ARE UNINCORPORATED, WHERE THE CITIZENS THERE HAVE ASKED THAT
THEY HAVE GREATER OPPORTUNITY TO REGULATE THESE LIQUOR STORES
THAT CURRENTLY ARE NOT SUBJECT TO LOCAL ZONING AND HAVE
CREATED A CRIME PROBLEM IN THOSE AREAS. SO IT EMPOWERS THE
COMMUNITY TO STEP UP AND FIGHT CRIME THAT MANY OF THESE
FACILITIES HAVE BEEN A BREEDING GROUND FOR, SO I'D ASK FOR
YOUR SUPPORT. MOVE THE ITEM.

19

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: DO YOU WANT A ROLL CALL, MR. KNABE?

21

SUP. KNABE: I JUST ABSTAIN.

23

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: OKAY. YOU'RE GOING TO-- ALL RIGHT.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL SECOND IT.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
4 THE OBJECTION-- ABSTENTION ONLY FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITH
5 THAT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** DID WE ALREADY HEAR 26?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, I DON'T THINK SO.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL 26.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MISS AUTRY, DO YOU WISH TO
14 ADDRESS US ON ITEM NUMBER 26? WOULD YOU BEGIN, MISS AUTRY?

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16 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** YES. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AGAIN. JUST FOR THE RECORD,
18 MY NAME IS YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY, NOT MITCHELL. I THINK MOST
19 OF US WERE VERY SURPRISED AT THE AMOUNT OF WATER AND FLOODS
20 AND THE DAMAGE THAT OCCURRED IN THE LAST WINTER AND I WOULD
21 JUST LIKE TO JUST BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION, I KNOW YOU ALL ARE
22 CONSCIOUS AND AWARE THAT THERE ARE SO MANY NATURAL CRISES
23 AROUND THE WORLD TODAY WITH THE TSUNAMI AND MUDSLIDES AND
24 FLOODS AND EARTHQUAKES AND I THINK IT'S INDICATIVE OR IT'S
25 PROBABLY REVEALING THAT THERE'S SO MUCH HAPPENING SPIRITUALLY



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1 THAT IT'S AFFECTING OUR PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT AND WE'RE ALL, OF
2 COURSE, SUBJECT TO THESE NATURAL LAWS OF GOD AND I JUST HOPE
3 THAT YOU WOULD BE EVEN MORE CONSCIOUS IN YOUR CHOICES THAT YOU
4 MAKE WHEN WE DO BRING CONCERNS BEFORE YOU. I KNOW THAT YOU
5 HAVE A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITIES BUT I HOPE THAT YOU DO TAKE
6 INTO CONSIDERATION WHAT THE PUBLIC, GENERAL PUBLIC BRINGS
7 BEFORE YOU IN DETERMINING JUST HOW YOU GOVERN YOUR COUNTIES.
8 AND, JUST SO THAT YOU'LL KNOW, I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE GOD-
9 FEARING PEOPLE HOPEFULLY AMONG YOUR STAFF, GOD SAID HE WOULD
10 BRING A FLOOD BEFORE THE FIRE. HE WOULD NEVER DESTROY THE
11 EARTH AGAIN WITH A FIRE. AND HE SAID THAT THERE WAS A CITY BY
12 THE SEA FULL OF WITCHCRAFT, HOMOSEXUALITY AND OTHER WICKEDNESS
13 THAT REFUSED TO CHANGE AND GOD SAID HE WOULD DESTROY THAT
14 CITY. I HOPE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THAT'S NOT LOS
15 ANGELES. IT COULD BE SAN FRANCISCO. BUT, IN THE EVENT THAT IT
16 IS LOS ANGELES AND BECAUSE YOU ALL DO HAVE SO MUCH AUTHORITY
17 IN THIS GOVERNANCE, I HOPE THAT YOU GOD-FEARING PEOPLE WILL
18 TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE MAGNITUDE OF YOUR APPOINTMENT IN
19 ALL YOUR DECISION-MAKING POLICIES. AND I ALWAYS HAVE TO ASK
20 THIS QUESTION: WHEN YOU INVOKE A GOD AT THE BEGINNING OF YOUR
21 MEETINGS AND YOU USUALLY HAVE MANY DIFFERENT DENOMINATIONS.
22 I'M A CHRISTIAN, I TRY TO BE CHRISTIAN. I WONDER, WHY DO YOU
23 INVOKE A CHRISTIAN GOD, WHEN A CHRISTIAN GOD, YAHWEH OR
24 JEHOVAH, REALLY DOES NOT CONDONE HOMOSEXUALITY, PEDOPHILIA,
25 TRANSSEXUALITY, BISEXUALITY, YET I KNOW I HEARD EARLIER, I



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1 KNOW THAT YOU DO RECEIVE QUITE A BIT OF MONEYS FROM THOSE
2 SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS AND I HOPE THAT, AGAIN, YOUR DECISIONS
3 WOULD BE GOVERNED BY A HIGHER CONSCIENCE, HOPEFULLY A GOD
4 CONSCIENCE AND NOT INFLUENCED BY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS WHOSE
5 INTERESTS CLEARLY ARE DIFFERENT OR OPPOSED, I COULD SAY,
6 SINFUL, ABOMINABLE, OFFENSIVE, AT LEAST TO MY GOD, THE GOD,
7 THE ONE GOD, JEHOVAH, YAHWEH, WHO, LIKE I SAID, DESTROYED
8 SODOM AND GOMORRAH BECAUSE OF THAT ACTIVITY, HOMOSEXUALITY,
9 AND OTHER PERVERTED, CORRUPT BEHAVIOR. I'M NOT PERFECT BUT I
10 KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO TRY TO HOPEFULLY ADHERE TO SOME POSITIVE
11 SPIRITUAL BELIEF SO THAT WE CAN RAISE THE QUALITY OF OUR
12 STANDARD OF LIFE FOR ALL HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND FOR
13 THIS COUNTRY. SO I JUST WANTED TO PUT THAT ON THE RECORD AND
14 HOPEFULLY THAT'LL ENCOURAGE YOU TO BE MORE CONSCIOUS IN YOUR
15 DECISION-MAKING POLICIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY MS. BURKE,
18 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
19 ORDERED. DOES THAT COMPLETE YOUR ITEMS, MS. BURKE? SUPERVISOR
20 YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR SPECIALS, PLEASE.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
23 IN MEMORY OF BILLY SANDERS, WHO WAS A EMPLOYEE OF THE LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, A MAINTENANCE
25 WORKER, WHO WAS KILLED YESTERDAY WHEN HE WAS PINNED BETWEEN A



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1 LOADER AND A TRUCK WHILE WORKING ON A ROAD REPAIR PROJECT AT
2 MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY NEAR CORNELL. A VERY TRAGIC ACCIDENT. MR.
3 SANDERS WAS 32 YEARS OLD, HAD BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY, THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, FOR THREE YEARS THIS MONTH. HE IS
5 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, RAYKUEL SCARBOROUGH SANDERS, HIS MOTHER,
6 MARYLAND SANDERS MCDANIELS AND THREE CHILDREN, CHRISTOPHER,
7 13, DEEJAY, 9 AND DEJOHN, 5. I'D ASK ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN THAT.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THAT'S MY ONLY ADJOURNING MOTION.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY?

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S MY ONLY ADJOURNING MOTION.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT ADJOURNMENT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DID WE TAKE UP ITEM NUMBER 20? IT WAS
20 APPROVED. OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YEAH.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. AND THEN WE JUST TOOK IT UP.

2 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** YES. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I MOVE
5 TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA GINNY BLACK, LONG-
6 TIME RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND WAS THE PUBLIC RELATIONS
7 DIRECTOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FROM 1977
8 TO 1988. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY HER CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.
9 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF VIOLET BONTA. SHE WAS THE
10 MOTHER OF DIANA BONTA, VICE-PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AT
11 KAISER. WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND OUR SINCEREST SYMPATHIES TO DIANA
12 AND HER FAMILY AND THAT WOULD BE ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE
13 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. AL FREEDMAN, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
14 THURSDAY, MAY 19TH. HE WAS 72. HE WAS A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF
15 THE SANTA MONICA WINDJAMMERS YACHT CLUB. HE WAS A GREAT, FUNNY
16 GUY, VERY INSIGHTFUL. HE HAD A WONDERFUL FAMILY, TERRIFIC CREW
17 AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ERLA, SON, MARK, A DAUGHTER,
18 HOLLY, HIS GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS SISTER, MARTA. ALSO THAT WE
19 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES MCCABE. JAMES WAS 87. HE WAS BORN
20 IN SCOTLAND, HE WAS MARRIED TO HIS WIFE, NORA, FOR 64 YEARS.
21 HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE'S
22 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, NORA, DAUGHTERS, ELIZABETH, A GOOD
23 FRIEND OF OUR FAMILY, KATHERINE, THERESA AND SHEILA. ALSO THAT
24 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY ABBOTT SELF, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
25 THE AGE OF 88. VERY ACTIVE IN THE LONG BEACH AND BELLFLOWER



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1 COMMUNITIES. SHE AND HER HUSBAND, HARVEY, OWNED AND MANAGED
2 GROCERY STORES AND GAS STATION. SHE WAS PROUD TO BE INVOLVED
3 WITH THE LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE AND ACTUALLY WENT BACK TO GET
4 HER DEGREE IN HER EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT WHILE SHE WAS IN
5 HER 60S. SHE'S ARRIVED BY HER DAUGHTER ANNETTE, SONS, HARVEY,
6 JOHN AND PAUL, SISTERS, LEAH, LORRANA, 24 GRANDCHILDREN AND 32
7 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SUSAN
8 WAGNER, A FORMER WESTCHESTER FIELD DEPUTY FOR THE LOS ANGELES
9 CITY COUNCILWOMAN RUTH GALANTER. SUSAN WAS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER
10 WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. HER FAVORITE PASTIMES
11 WERE PLAYING MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, PAINTING, JEWELRY MAKING.
12 SHE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. THOSE
13 ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR. I DO HAVE A READ-IN FOR NEXT
14 WEEK.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. SO ORDERED ON THOSE
17 ADJOURNMENTS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. IN 1996, VOTERS APPROVED THE
20 PROPOSITION 215 WHICH ENSURES THAT THE SERIOUSLY ILL
21 CALIFORNIANS HAVE THE RIGHT TO OBTAIN AND USE MARIJUANA FOR
22 MEDICAL PURPOSES OR THAT MEDICAL USE IS DEEMED APPROPRIATE AND
23 HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED BY A PHYSICIAN. BY APPROVING THIS
24 PROPOSITION, DISPENSE AREAS HAVE NEW BEGUN TO OPEN. FOR THE
25 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THESE DISPENSE AREAS SHOULD BE REGULATED



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1 AND LOCATED IN AREAS THAT WILL ALLOW THE SAFE DISTRIBUTION OF
2 THESE MATERIALS WHILE NOT HAVING A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON LOCAL
3 NEIGHBORHOODS. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SOME CITIES IN
4 CALIFORNIA HAVE INSTITUTED REGULATIONS AND I BELIEVE THAT THE
5 REGULATIONS SHOULD BE DEVELOPED FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
6 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ESPECIALLY AS IT RELATES TO THE
7 PROXIMITY OF THESE DISPENSE AREAS NEAR SCHOOLS AND RESIDENCES,
8 AS WELL AS NOTIFYING NEIGHBORS OF THEIR INTENT TO OPEN. SO I
9 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
10 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING, IN CONJUNCTION WITH COUNTY
11 COUNSEL, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
12 AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF BUSINESS LICENSING COMMITTEE TO STUDY
13 THIS ISSUE AND TO REPORT BACK TO THIS BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS
14 WITH ITS RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS. AND THAT'S
15 FOR NEXT WEEK.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK. VERY GOOD. ALL
18 RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR SPECIALS.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
21 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID MIYASHITA, FORMER EMPLOYEE WITH
22 THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, LONG-
23 TIME RESIDENT OF MONROVIA, WHO PASSED AWAY. BERNICE LAVONNE
24 MONROE, SHE WAS A VOLUNTEER FOR OVER 30 YEARS AT THE SHRINER'S
25 HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES. SHE RECEIVED THE



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1 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD IN 2002. SHE WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE
2 MEMBER OF THE SOUTH PASADENA WOMEN'S CLUB. MERRILL LEE RUSH, A
3 70-YEAR MEMBER OF THE MASONIC-- I SHOULD SAY OVER 50-YEAR
4 ADVISOR TO THE ORDER OF DE MOLAY AND ACTIVE IN MASONIC LODGE.
5 HE WAS A HIRAM AWARD RECIPIENT AT THE BURBANK MASONIC LODGE
6 406. THE HONORABLE JOHN L. SULLIVAN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
7 AGE OF 96, FORMER MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, SOUTH
8 PASADENA. HE WAS A CAREER RETIRED SPECIAL AGENT WITH THE
9 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND SERVED IN THE CALIFORNIA
10 SENIOR LEGISLATURE AS AN ASSEMBLYMAN. HE WAS THE AUTHOR OF THE
11 TEXTBOOK, "INTRODUCTION TO THE POLICE SCIENCE" AND WAS IN
12 CHARGE OF THE POLICE SCIENCE PROGRAM AT PASADENA COMMUNITY
13 COLLEGE AND HE RAN THE PASADENA POLICE ACADEMY FOR
14 APPROXIMATELY NINE YEARS. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN
15 THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA AS THEIR POLICE OFFICER WHEN MR.
16 SULLIVAN WAS MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER AND HE WAS A GOOD MAN,
17 GOOD ROLE MODEL AND A GOOD COMMUNITY LEADER. HE PASSED AWAY AT
18 THE AGE OF 96. SISTER MERCIA LOUISE ZERWEKH OF THE SISTERS OF
19 ST. JOSEPH OF CARONDELET, WHO PASSED AWAY ON MAY 14TH. AND
20 HENRY CIRDEN, WHO WAS THE GREAT VOICEOVER ACTOR, VETERAN
21 CHARACTER ACTOR OF FRED FLINTSTONE. HE PASSED AWAY AT AGE 85,
22 WORKED MANY YEARS WITH JOE BARBERA AND HANNAH BARBERA AND HIS
23 SPECIALS INCLUDED "FRED AND BARNEY MEET THE THING", "A
24 FLINTSTONES CHRISTMAS CAROL" AND A GOOD MAN. GLEN-- I SHOULD
25 SAY GLEN GALIAS, ACTIVE IN ANTELOPE VALLEY KIWANIS CLUB,



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1 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. BARBARA DEMPSEY BERRYHILL,
2 FORMERLY OF GLENDALE, SHE'S MARRIED TO BILL BERRYHILL OF
3 GLENDALE. SHE PASSED AWAY. AND JOSEPHINE S. EVANS, THE MOTHER
4 OF M. STANTON EVANS, THE JOURNALIST AND AUTHOR. SHE PASSED
5 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 97 ON MAY 20TH. MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
6 THEIR MEMORIES. AND FOR NEXT WEEK, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
7 SERVICES REPORTED HOSPITAL ACQUIRED INFECTIONS CONTINUE TO
8 INCREASE IN OUR COUNTY. THERE WERE TWO OUTBREAKS REPORTED IN
9 COUNTY HOSPITALS, 24 REPORTED IN PRIVATE HOSPITALS IN 2002. IN
10 COMPARISON, THE TWO OUTBREAKS REPORTED IN COUNTY HOSPITALS AND
11 29 OUTBREAKS REPORTED IN PRIVATE HOSPITALS IN 2004, WHICH WAS
12 AN INCREASE OF 16%. YET THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT STILL DOES NOT
13 CONDUCT RANDOM SURPRISE INSPECTIONS TO ENSURE THAT HOSPITALS
14 ARE REPORTING SUCH INFECTIONS, NOR DOES IT INFORM THE PUBLIC
15 ROUTINELY ABOUT THE RATE OF THESE ACQUIRED INFECTIONS AT A
16 PARTICULAR HOSPITAL. THIS CONTRADICTS COMMITMENTS MADE TO THE
17 BOARD BY OUR DIRECTOR OF HEALTH IN JULY OF 2002. AT THAT TIME,
18 DR. GARTHWAITE HAD COMMITTED TO AGGRESSIVELY PURSUE IMPROVED
19 INFECTION CONTROL PRACTICES IN MEETING HIS RESPONSIBILITIES.
20 HE ASSURED THE BOARD THAT ROUTINE SURPRISE INSPECTIONS WOULD
21 BEGIN WITHIN 90 DAYS WITH NUMEROUS STATEMENTS MADE ABOUT THE
22 NEED FOR THIS TYPE OF ACTION. ALSO, THAT ADDITIONAL STAFF TO
23 PERFORM THIS WOULD BE ACQUIRED. SINCE THAT TIME, THE UNIT
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR TRACKING HOSPITAL
25 ACQUIRED INFECTIONS HAS GROWN FROM 2.5 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES TO



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1 NINE. IN ADDITION, THE PRIVATE HOSPITAL INDUSTRY HAS GOT A
2 RECORD OF SUPPORTING DISCLOSURE OF THIS INFORMATION AS THEY
3 WANT A PROCESS THAT IS FAIR AND ACCURATE. SO THIS WOULD BE TO
4 DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT TO REPORT BACK WITHIN 30 DAYS WITH A
5 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO DEVELOP, IN COOPERATION WITH PRIVATE
6 HOSPITALS, IN MAKING A PUBLIC THAT RATE OF HOSPITAL
7 INFECTIONS, OUTBREAK INFORMATION BY HOSPITAL, AND A PLAN TO
8 IMPLEMENT SURPRISE RANDOM INSPECTIONS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE. SO
9 WE CAN DO THAT FOR NEXT WEEK. AND THEN JUNE, WORKING WITH THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL IS ANIMAL ADOPT A SHELTER CAT
11 MONTH AND WE HAVE A PROCLAMATION MOTION THAT WE'LL PUT ON FOR
12 NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA ON THAT.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. FOR NEXT WEEK, THOSE ITEMS WILL
15 BE PUT ON THERE. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE
16 JENNIFER LYNN JACKSON AND ETHEL LEE JOHNSON. PLEASE JOIN US.
17 WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, I WOULD LIKE TO DO AN ADJOURNING
18 MOTION FOR JOSE M. LOPEZ. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. MR.
19 LOPEZ WAS THE NATION'S OLDEST REMAINING LATINO RECIPIENT OF
20 THE MEDAL OF HONOR PRESENTED TO HIM BY HARRY S. TRUMAN FOR HIS
21 VALOR DURING THE WORLD WAR II BATTLE OF THE BULGE. MR. LOPEZ'S
22 BRAVERY WAS FEATURED IN THE 1990 PBS DOCUMENTARY, "FROM D DAY
23 TO THE RHINE", ALONG WITH NINE OTHER VETERANS WHO RETURNED TO
24 THEIR WORLD WAR II BATTLEFIELDS TO DISCUSS THEIR TERRIFYING
25 ORDEALS. AFTER THE WAR, MR. LOPEZ REMAINED IN THE ARMY AND



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1 WENT ON TO SERVE TWO COMBAT TOURS IN KOREA. HE WORKED FOR THE
2 VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF HIS MILITARY
3 CAREER. PRIOR TO HIS CAREER, MR. LOPEZ WAS A PROFESSIONAL
4 BOXER KNOWN AS KID MENDOZA, WHICH INSTILLED IN HIM A LIFELONG
5 APPRECIATION FOR FITNESS AS HE REMAINED REMAINING STRONG AND
6 HEALTHY THROUGHOUT HIS LIFETIME. MR. LOPEZ HAD LIVED WITH HIS
7 DAUGHTER, MAGGIE, IN SAN ANTONIO SINCE 1973. WE WANT TO EXTEND
8 OUR PROFOUND RESPECT FOR HIS SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY TO ALL OF
9 HIS FAMILY AND DEEPEST CONDOLENCES. SO ORDERED ON THAT
10 ADJOURNMENT. YOU'RE MISS JACKSON?

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12 **JENNIFER LYNN JAACKSON:** YES.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS MISS JOHNSON HERE? SHE IS
15 NOT. PLEASE PROCEED, MS. JAACKSON.

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17 **JENNIFER LYNN JAACKSON:** MY NAME IS JENNIFER JAACKSON AND I AM
18 A CLIENT OF PORTALS AB 2034, WHICH IS PART OF THE DEPARTMENT
19 OF MENTAL HEALTH. AND THE REASON I'M HERE IS I WROTE A LETTER
20 TO THE BOARD IN REGARDS TO PORTALS', THE LACK OF CONCERN, THE
21 LACK, THE INCONSISTENCIES IN THE PROGRAM, HOW THE STAFF AREN'T
22 FOLLOWING THE ORIGINAL AUTHORS' GUIDELINES OF AB-2034. THEY'RE
23 NOT SPEAKING-- I'LL SPEAK FOR-- WELL, WHAT HAPPENED TO ME AND
24 WHAT I'VE SEEN HAPPEN TO OTHER CLIENTS, WHERE THE STAFF
25 APPEARED TO BE FEEDING THE CLIENTS' ADDICTIONS, PROVIDING



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1 MONEY TO CLIENTS THAT ARE IN ADDICTION. ONCE THE CLIENT HAS
2 GOTTEN THEIR LIVES TOGETHER, TRYING TO GO TO SCHOOL, LIKE, FOR
3 SPEAKING FOR MYSELF-- NOT FOR MYSELF BUT OTHER CLIENTS BUT
4 INSTANCE WHAT HAPPENED TO ME, I HAD TO USE MY S.S.I. MONEY TO
5 PAY FOR MY OWN SCHOOL. THEY'RE NOT PROVIDING PLANNED
6 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO MEMBERS WHO RECEIVE S.S.I., WHICH PUTS
7 US IN A POSITION TO WHERE WE MAY HAVE TO-- SOME PEOPLE, SOME
8 CLIENTS DO RESORT BACK TO OLD CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR BECAUSE
9 THEY'RE LEFT IN A POSITION WHERE, IF THEY CAN'T GET MONEY FOR
10 SCHOOL, CAN'T GET MONEY FOR FOOD, THEN WHAT ARE THEY, YOU
11 KNOW, WHAT RESOURCES, OTHER RESOURCES DO THEY HAVE TO RECEIVE
12 ASSISTANCE IN THOSE AREAS? THE PROGRAM MANAGER, I NEED TO GO
13 SLOWER BUT I'M TRYING TO RUSH BECAUSE OF THE CLOCK. THE
14 PROGRAM MANAGER, ROBERT FEES, HE HAS A PHYSICAL ILLNESS WHICH--
15 - AND I'M QUOTING WHAT HE SAYS, IT IMPAIRS HIS THINKING. HE
16 ALSO STATED TO ME THAT HE DRINKS AND I BROUGHT IT TO HIS
17 ATTENTION THAT I SMELLED ALCOHOL ON HIM. HE DID NOT DENY IT.
18 BECAUSE OF THOSE TWO THINGS, HOW IS HE IN A POSITION TO MAKE
19 SOUND DECISIONS FOR THE CLIENTS OF AB-2034? TO KIM, THE
20 DIRECTOR, SENDS US TO SHELTERS, WANTS TO SEND US TO SHELTERS
21 AND SEND US TO FOOD BANKS. WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE MONEY AND
22 THE CLIENT SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FUNDS THAT'S SUPPOSED TO
23 PROVIDE FOOD, THAT'S SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE HOUSING, THAT'S
24 SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE MONEYS FOR SCHOOL? AND WHY-- YOU KNOW,
25 THAT'S WHAT I'M WONDERING, WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THAT MONEY?



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1 AND TO KEEP A CLIENT IN AN ADDICTION AND THEN TO SAY THAT, OH,
2 THIS MONEY HAS, WE'VE USED THIS MONEY ON YOU, THIS AND THAT,
3 THEY CAN KEEP THEIR CLIENTS HIGH BY SUBLIMINALLY SEDUCING
4 THESE CLIENTS AND THAT WAY THE CLIENT WON'T HAVE RECOLLECTION
5 OF THAT MONEY, WHETHER OR NOT THE STAFF GAVE THAT MONEY TO
6 THEM OR NOT. SO I THINK AN INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE DONE INTO
7 WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE FUNDS FOR AB-2034, YOU KNOW, WHAT'S
8 HAPPENING WITH OUR MONEYS FOR HOUSING AND SCHOOL? WHY THEY
9 DON'T HAVE THOSE MONEYS ANY LONGER AVAILABLE. WHAT'S GOING ON?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MISS JAACKSON.

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13 **JENNIFER LYNN JAACKSON:** AND I HOPE YOU GUYS READ MY LETTER,
14 OKAY? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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18 **JENNIFER LYNN JAACKSON:** OH AND MAY I SAY DAVID RUE DID STATE
19 TO ME, HE SPOKE TO ME ON BEHALF OF THE LETTER, AND HE DID SAY
20 THAT AN INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN REGARDS TO THE
21 ALLEGATIONS THAT I MADE.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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25 **JENNIFER LYNN JAACKSON:** THANK YOU. SO DID DR. SOUTHARD.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF THE ITEMS
3 BEFORE US. WE HAVE CLOSED SESSION. IF I CAN GET VIOLET TO READ
4 US INTO CLOSED SESSION, WE'LL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION. ALL
5 RIGHT. THEN WE CAN ADJOURN THIS MEETING AND WE WILL-- WELL, WE
6 WON'T ADJOURN. WHAT WE'LL DO IS WE'RE GOING TO HOLD OFF AND
7 WE'LL MOVE INTO OUR PUBLIC HEARING FOR OUR BUDGET. ALL RIGHT.
8 SO WE DON'T NEED ANY HOPING FOR THIS. WE CAN JUST CALL UP THE
9 SPEAKERS? MR. JANSSEN, IS THAT CORRECT? ALL RIGHT. I JUST NEED
10 TO HAVE THE SPEAKERS. ALL RIGHT. HERE WE GO. ALL RIGHT. FIRST
11 OF ALL, WE HAVE MISS MARGARET TODD, OUR COUNTY LIBRARIAN. MISS
12 TODD, IF YOU'D JOIN US.

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14 **MARGARET TODD:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS
15 MARGARET DONLAN TODD AND I AM THE COUNTY LIBRARIAN. I HAVE
16 BEEN ASKED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBRARY COMMISSION, GORDON
17 STEPHENHOGEN, TO SPEAK ON HIS BEHALF THIS AFTERNOON. MAYOR
18 STEPHENHOGEN APOLOGIZES FOR HIS ABSENCE BUT BUDGET HEARINGS
19 FOR THE NORWALK CITY COUNCIL ARE THIS AFTERNOON AND HE MUST BE
20 PRESENT FOR THOSE PROCEEDINGS. THE LIBRARY COMMISSION AND THE
21 LIBRARY DEPARTMENT WISH TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
22 THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE LIBRARY WITH THE PASSAGE OF
23 PROPOSITION 1-A AND THE BOARD'S ASSISTANCE, THE PUBLIC LIBRARY
24 BUDGET WILL BE STABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS. THE
25 COMMISSION FULLY SUPPORTS THE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S TOP PRIORITY,



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1 REPLACEMENT OF THE OUTDATED, 20-YEAR-OLD AUTOMATION SYSTEM
2 WITH A NEW STATE-OF- THE-ART INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM. IN
3 ADDITION, THE COMMISSION IS EXCITED BY THE PROPOSED INCREASE
4 IN SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THESE FUNDS WOULD
5 ENABLE THE LIBRARY TO INCREASE HOURS, PURCHASE ADDITIONAL
6 MATERIALS AND IMPROVE FACILITIES. PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANTLY,
7 THESE FUNDS WILL ALLOW FOR INCREASED STAFFING, ESPECIALLY FOR
8 CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND EMERGENT LITERACY. WHILE THE COUNTY
9 LIBRARY STILL FACES MANY CHALLENGES IN THE 21ST CENTURY SUCH
10 AS ENSURING AN ADEQUATE MATERIALS BUDGET, UPGRADING CURRENT
11 TECHNOLOGY, THE REPLACEMENT OF OLD FACILITIES AS WELL AS THE
12 CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES IN NEW GROWTH AREAS, TREMENDOUS
13 PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE. THE COMMISSION IS DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE
14 OF THE BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY. THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT? THANK YOU, MISS
17 TODD. NEXT WE HAVE TANYA AKEL, DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES,
18 LOCAL 660. OH. DO WE WANT ANGELA PHILLIPS TO COME UP AT THE
19 SAME TIME? GREAT. THANK YOU.

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21 **TANYA AKEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M TANYA AKEL, FIELD DIRECTOR FOR
22 S.E.I.U. LOCAL 660, THE L.A. COUNTY WORKERS UNION,
23 REPRESENTING MORE THAN 50,000 L.A. COUNTY AND SPECIAL DISTRICT
24 EMPLOYEES. TODAY, I WILL BE GIVING LOCAL 660'S OVERALL
25 RESPONSE TO THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND SPEAK SPECIFICALLY ABOUT



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1 OUR CONCERNS WITH THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. AFTER MY
2 TESTIMONY, YOU WILL HEAR FROM TWO LOCAL 660 WORKERS ABOUT THE
3 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET AND THE BUDGET FOR D.C.F.S. THE
4 WORKERS OF LOCAL 660 KEEP OUR COUNTY RUNNING AND WE ARE FULLY
5 SUPPORTIVE OF FUNDING FOR SECURE COMMUNITIES WITH IMPROVED
6 PARK AND LIBRARY SERVICES FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS. AT THE SAME
7 TIME, WE'RE CONCERNED THAT THIS PROPOSED BUDGET DOES NOT
8 ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THE CURRENT UNMET NEEDS OF OUR SOCIAL
9 SAFETY NET AND HEALTH SERVICES. THE COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE
10 POPULATIONS ARE CHILDREN, ARE SENIORS, ARE MENTALLY ILL. THOSE
11 WITH HEALTH INSURANCE ARE COUNTING ON YOUR LEADERSHIP TO
12 MAINTAIN THE SAFETY NET AND HAVE ADEQUATE STAFF TO PROVIDE
13 MUCH NEEDED HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES. NOW I WANT TO TALK
14 SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET AND OUR CONCERN WITH
15 THE PROPOSAL. OF COURSE, WE SUPPORT NEEDED FUNDING FOR SAFETY.
16 HOWEVER, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES THAT
17 HAPPENS WHEN THE COUNTY PUTS SIGNIFICANT RESOURCES INTO HIRING
18 DEPUTIES AND CUSTODY ASSISTANTS WITHOUT HIRING THE
19 COMMENSURATE PROFESSIONAL STAFF NEEDED TO BOOK, PROCESS, FEED,
20 MEDICATE, CARE FOR AND HOUSE INMATES. WHAT ENDS UP HAPPENING
21 OUT OF DIRE NEED, AND THIS IS HAPPENING NOW, IS DEPUTIES AND
22 CUSTODY ASSISTANTS WHO ARE PAID THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS MORE THAN
23 S.E.I.U. 660 MEMBERS, END UP DOING THE WORK OF 660 MEMBERS AT
24 A HIGHER COST TO TAXPAYERS. WHY ARE DEPUTIES, WHO HAVE NOT
25 BEEN PROPERLY TRAINED AND EARN FAR MORE, CUTTING TREES AT



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1 PITCHES WHEN OUR INSTITUTIONAL GUARDING MANAGERS SHOULD BE
2 DOING THAT WORK? FOR ANOTHER EXAMPLE, WHY ARE THE MUCH HIGHER
3 PAID CUSTODY ASSISTANTS DOING THE WORK OF CUSTODY RECORDS
4 CLERK AT I.R.C.? IT IS BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT IS SIGNIFICANTLY
5 UNDERSTAFFED IN CLERICAL, BLUE-COLLAR AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL
6 JOBS. THE WORK NEEDS TO GET DONE, SO MANAGEMENT PUTS IN WHO
7 THEY HAVE, EVEN IF IT WASTES TAXPAYER DOLLARS. THIS PROBLEM
8 WILL ONLY GET WORSE UNDER THE PROPOSED BUDGET. WHILE IT IS
9 IMPORTANT TO HIRE MORE DEPUTIES AND CUSTODY ASSISTANTS AND
10 OPEN MORE BEDS, MORE ARRESTS CANNOT HAPPEN IF NOT ENOUGH STAFF
11 IS AVAILABLE TO BOOK, PROCESS THE PAPERWORK, ANSWER THE
12 PUBLIC'S QUESTIONS, FEED, PROVIDE HEALTH SERVICES TO, LAUNDER,
13 MAINTAIN THE FACILITIES AND THE LIKE. WE KNOW IT'S NOT SEXY OR
14 POLITICALLY EXCITING TO ANNOUNCE THE HIRING OF BLUE-COLLAR
15 LAUNDRY WORKERS IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUT SOMETIMES
16 DOING THE RIGHT THING ISN'T. CUSTODY RECORDS CLERKS WHO ARE
17 HOUSED AT I.R.C. ARE CHRONICALLY UNDERSTAFFED. THE DEPARTMENT
18 IS PROPOSING TO ADD 21 POSITIONS FOR A TOTAL OF 208 OVER A 24-
19 HOUR, SEVEN DAY A WEEK PERIOD. CUSTODY RECORDS CLERKS ARE
20 RESPONSIBLE FOR PROCESSING THE RELEASE AND TRANSFER OF
21 INMATES. IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITY WITH A HIGH
22 DEGREE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND SKILL. IN ORDER TO RECRUIT AND
23 RETAIN SKILLED CUSTODY RECORDS CLERKS, THE COUNTY MUST IMPROVE
24 THE SALARY FOR THEM. THE LOW SALARY OF THE C.R.C.S HAS BEEN A
25 LONGSTANDING ISSUE OF THE DEPARTMENT AND SHOULD BE RECTIFIED



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1 IN 2006. OVER-DETENTIONS AND EARLY RELEASES CAN COST THE
2 COUNTY MILLIONS. FAILING TO IMPROVE THE RETENTION AND
3 RECRUITMENT OF THIS CRITICAL CLASSIFICATION DOES NOT MAKE
4 SENSE FISCALLY. ANOTHER POINT IS THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
5 DOES NOT PUT ADEQUATE RESOURCES INTO TRAINING ITS PROFESSIONAL
6 STAFF AND SHOULD. LASTLY, WE ASK THAT SAVINGS AND WORKERS'
7 COMPENSATION BE REINVESTED, IN PART, IN WORKERS' COMP
8 PREVENTION. PURCHASE OF ERGONOMIC EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING IS
9 LEFT UP TO CAPTAINS WHO HAVE OTHER CRITICAL NEEDS. WE BELIEVE
10 THAT A SPECIFIC ERGONOMIC BUDGET BE SET UP AND AN ADEQUATE
11 AMOUNT BE SPENT EACH YEAR TO MAKE SURE LESS 660 WORKERS
12 SUSTAIN INJURIES. CARPAL TUNNEL AND BACK INJURIES ARE ALL TOO
13 COMMON AMONG THE MEMBERS WE REPRESENT AND CAN BE PREVENTED
14 WITH A LITTLE BIT OF INVESTMENT, SAVING THE COUNTY MORE IN
15 WORKERS' COMP COST AND THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ABSENT OR
16 INJURED EMPLOYEES. THANK YOU.

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18 **ANGELA PHILLIPS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M MY NAME IS ANGELA
19 PHILLIPS, AND I AM A REC ASSISTANTS CLERK II OF THE SHERIFF'S
20 DEPARTMENT WORKING AT IMPERIAL SENTRA FOR OVER 13 YEARS. I AM
21 HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF CRITICALLY NEEDED FUNDING FOR THE
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ON BEHALF OF THE PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES
23 REPRESENTED BY S.E.I.U. 660. I AM HERE TODAY TO POINT ARE SOME
24 OBVIOUS SHORTCOMINGS IN THE PROPOSED SHERIFF'S BUDGET.
25 CRITICALLY, ONLY A HANDFUL OF THE 795 NEW POSITIONS ARE



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1 PROFESSIONAL STAFF REPRESENTED BY S.E.I.U 660. WE ARE CRITICAL
2 TO THE FUNCTIONING OF THE DEPARTMENT'S EVERYDAY OPERATIONS. WE
3 ARE THE SHERIFF'S STATIONS CLERKS WHO PROCESS THE BOOKINGS,
4 POLICE REPORTS, PROVIDE GENERAL INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC. WE
5 ARE THE FOOD SERVICE WORKERS WHO PREPARE OVER 51,000 MEALS
6 EACH DAY. WE ARE THE MEDICAL SERVICES STAFF WHO CARE FOR THE
7 INMATES WITH MENTAL AND PHYSICAL AILMENTS AND MAINTAIN HEALTH
8 RECORDS FOR ALL INMATES. WE ARE THE LAUNDRY WORKERS, THE
9 EVIDENCE AND PROPERTY CUSTODIANS AND THE WORKERS WHO FIX THE
10 TOILETS, CHANGE THE LIGHT BULBS, MAINTAIN THE FACILITIES
11 INSIDE AND OUT. WE ARE THE CUSTODY RECORD CLERKS WHO MAKE SURE
12 INMATES ARE RELEASED ON TIME. WE ARE THE CUSTODIANS WHO KEEP
13 EVERYTHING CLEAN. IN SUMMARY, WITHOUT US, THE SHERIFF'S
14 DEPARTMENT COULD NOT FUNCTION. WE ARE WOEFULLY UNDERSTAFFED.
15 WE WANT TO UNDERSCORE THE FACT THAT YOU CAN HIRE HUNDREDS OF
16 DEPUTIES AND CUSTODY ASSISTANTS AND OPEN NEW BEDS AS CONTAINED
17 IN THE BUDGET BUT, WITHOUT ENOUGH STAFF TO PROCESS THE
18 ARRESTS, MAINTAIN THE FACILITIES AND FEED AND CARE FOR THE
19 POPULATION, A DISASTER IS WAITING TO HAPPEN. PLEASE INVEST IN
20 US, TOO. THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS ADEQUATE STAFFING IN ALL AREAS.
21 THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WE HAVE SHARON
24 DENT BRAY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,
25 ALSO LOCAL 660 MEMBER. THEY'RE ON THEIR WAY TO THE HALLWAY.



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1 THEY'RE IN THE HALLWAY? I'M SORRY? NO. YES, WE ARE. THIS
2 MEETING IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED TO NEXT WEDNESDAY, IS THAT
3 CORRECT? I'M SORRY? ALL RIGHT. THAT'S ALL THE SPEAKERS. WE
4 HAVE ANOTHER HEARING THAT HAS BEEN SET FOR-- WE WANTED TO
5 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, IS WHAT WE WANTED TO DO.

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7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MADAM CHAIR, YOU COULD ADD A SPEAKER TO THAT,
8 YES, ADD THIS SPEAKER TO THE SHERIFF AND HAVE THE TWO OF THEM.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT ACCEPTABLE? ALL RIGHT. SINCE THOSE
11 ARE THE ONLY TWO, WE WILL ADD THE NAME. ALL RIGHT. I MOVE THAT
12 THE BOARD RECEIVE AND FILE AND TAKE-- THIS IS WHAT WE NEED
13 NOW, RIGHT? UNDER ADVISEMENT VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET
14 REQUESTS AND COMMENTS MADE DURING THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS
15 COMMENCING ON THE 24TH AND MAKE A FINDING THAT NOTICE OF
16 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE TO SECTION
17 29080, THE GOVERNMENT CODE, AND THAT SAID HEARINGS COMMENCED
18 ON THE 24TH OF MAY OF 2005, PURSUANT TO SAID NOTICE AND AS
19 REQUIRED BY SECTION 29081 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE. I ALSO MOVE
20 THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS FOR THE
21 PURPOSES OF ORAL TESTIMONY, WITH EXCEPTION OF THE TESTIMONY OF
22 SHERIFF LEROY BACA FINDING THAT-- AND SHARON DENT BRAY,
23 FINDING THAT THERE ARE NO OTHER PERSONS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
24 SHERIFF BACA AND MISS BRAY WHO HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN THE
25 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD BUT TO ALLOW MAXIMUM PUBLIC INPUT



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1 PERMIT ADDITIONAL WRITTEN TESTIMONY AND REQUEST TO BE FILED
2 THROUGH THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THURSDAY, JUNE THE 2ND, OF
3 2005. I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD ADJOURN THE SPECIAL
4 MEETING TO TUESDAY, MAY THE 31ST, AT 2:00 P.M. SOLELY FOR THE
5 PURPOSE OF RECEIVING TESTIMONY FROM THE SHERIFF, LEE BACA. OH,
6 AND MISS BRAY. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD RECONFIRMS THE BUDGET
7 DELIBERATIONS. IT WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 20TH, AT 9:30
8 A.M. SO, SECONDED BY MS. BURKE. SO, IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
9 SO ORDERED ON THIS MOTION. NOW, I THINK THAT THAT COMPLETES
10 ALL OF THE ITEMS. NO ONE ELSE IS SIGNED UP FOR ANYTHING ELSE.
11 ALL RIGHT. SO, THEN, WE ARE ADJOURNED ON OUR BUDGET HEARING
12 AND WE NOW WILL MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
15 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
17 CS-1 AND CS-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
18 EXISTING LITIGATION AND ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
19 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, TWO
20 CASES, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.



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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON MAY 24, 2005**

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5 The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The
6 following action is being reported:

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8 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

9 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) In the

10 Matter of the Noise Variance Application of: City of Los

11 Angeles, Department of Airports for Los Angeles International

12 Airport (LAX), Department of Transportation, State of

13 California, Case No. L2004060244

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15 This administrative proceeding concerns Los Angeles World

16 Airport's application for a noise variance for Los Angeles

17 International Airport (LAX).

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19 Action Taken:

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21 The Board of Supervisors authorized settlement of the above

22 administrative proceedings. The substance of the settlement

23 will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the

24 settlement becomes final following approval by all parties and

25 the California Department of Transportation.



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1 The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all
2 Supervisors being present.

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4 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
5 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Los
6 Angeles County Employees Retirement Association v. Los Angeles
7 County Firefighters Local 1014, AFL-CIO, et al.; Michael S.
8 Talbot, et al. (Intervenors) v. County of Los Angeles, et al.,
9 Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 244838

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11 This litigation involves alleged entitlements to retirement
12 benefits for former and present County employees who provided
13 service as temporary or recurrent fire control workers.

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15 Action Taken:

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17 The Board of Supervisors authorized settlement of the above
18 litigation. The substance of the settlement will be disclosed
19 upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes
20 final following approval by all parties and the Superior
21 Court.

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23 The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all
24 Supervisors being present.

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1 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

2 (Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

3 Significant exposure to litigation (two cases)

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5 These matters involve requests by the District Attorney and
6 Assessor to institute legal proceedings seeking to invalidate
7 term limits placed on the offices of the Los Angeles County
8 District Attorney and the Los Angeles County Assessor by
9 County Charter amendments passed by the voters on March 5,
10 2002.

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12 Action Taken:

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14 The Board of Supervisors approved a request by the District
15 Attorney and Assessor to pursue quo warranto proceedings
16 concerning application of term limits for the offices of
17 District Attorney and Assessor imposed by 2002 amendments to
18 the Los Angeles County Charter (Article IV, Section 12), and
19 authorized retention of separate legal counsel to represent
20 the District Attorney and Assessor in such proceedings.

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22 The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all
23 Supervisors being present.

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